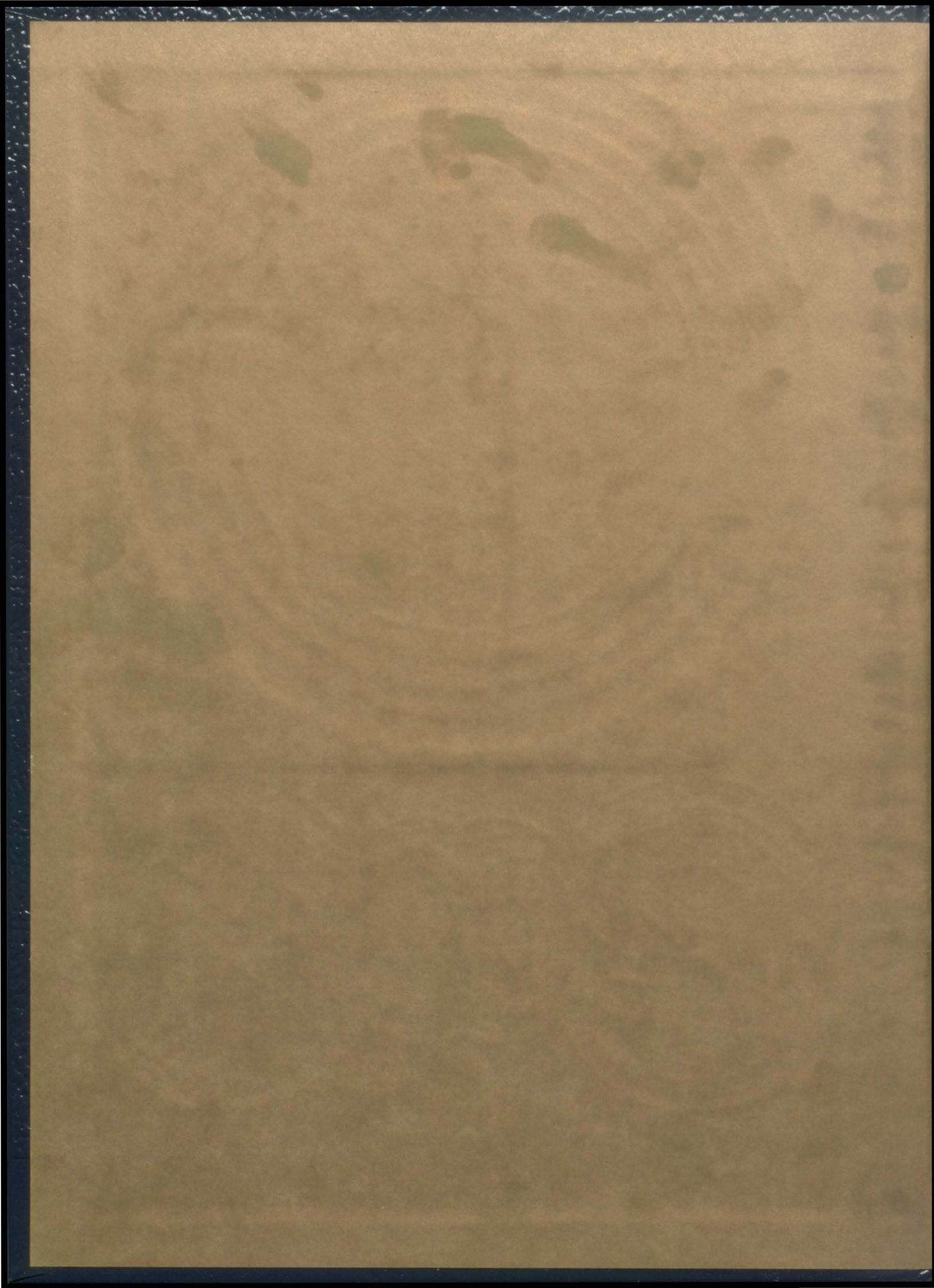


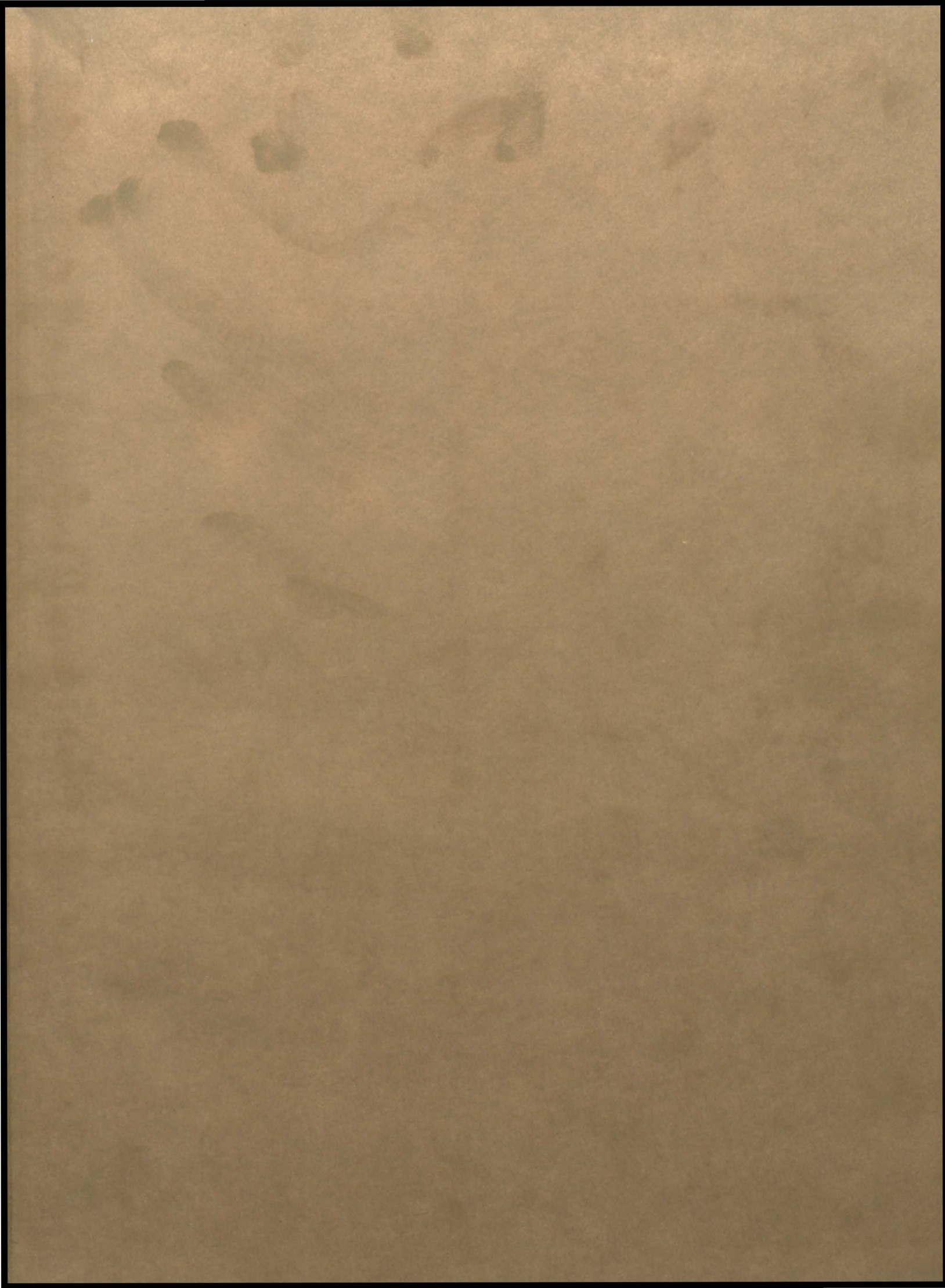


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Julius Conaway







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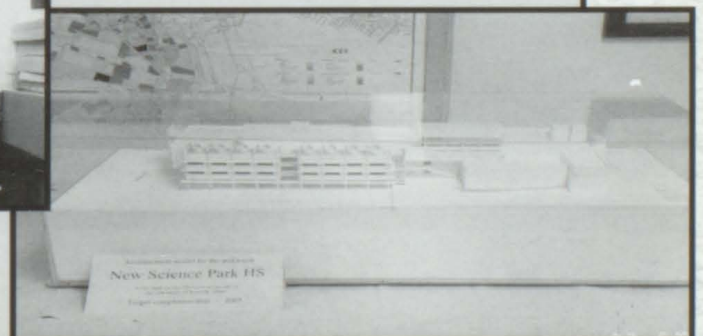
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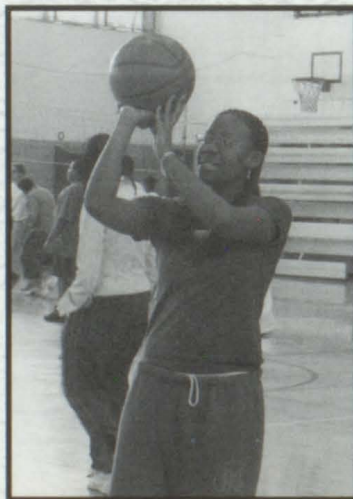
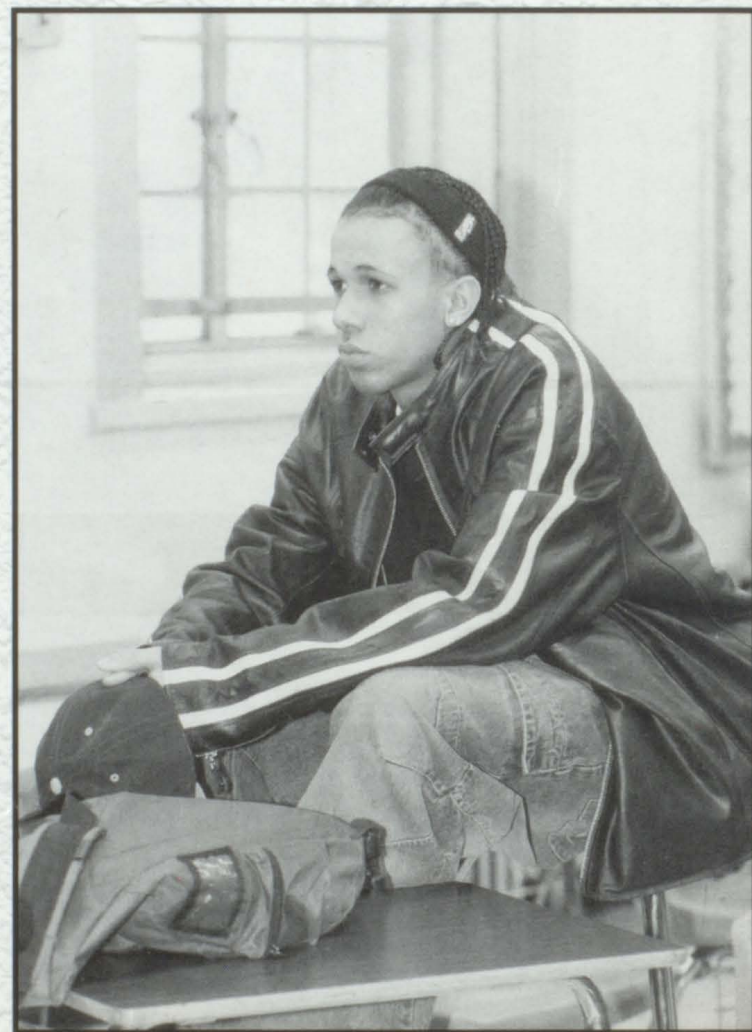
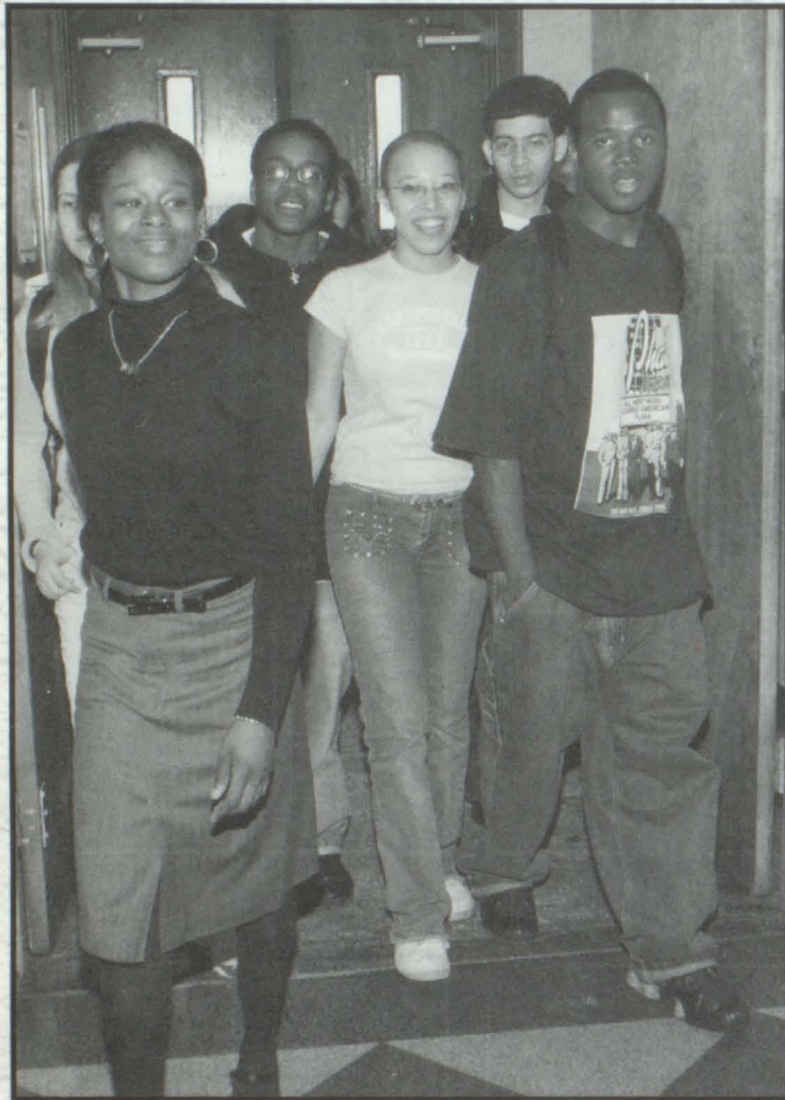
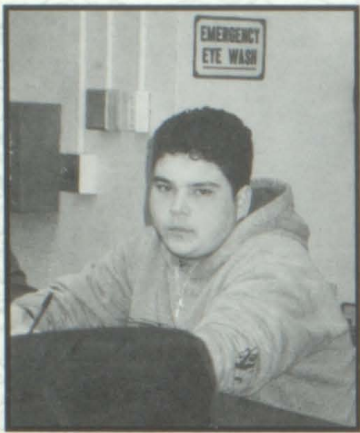
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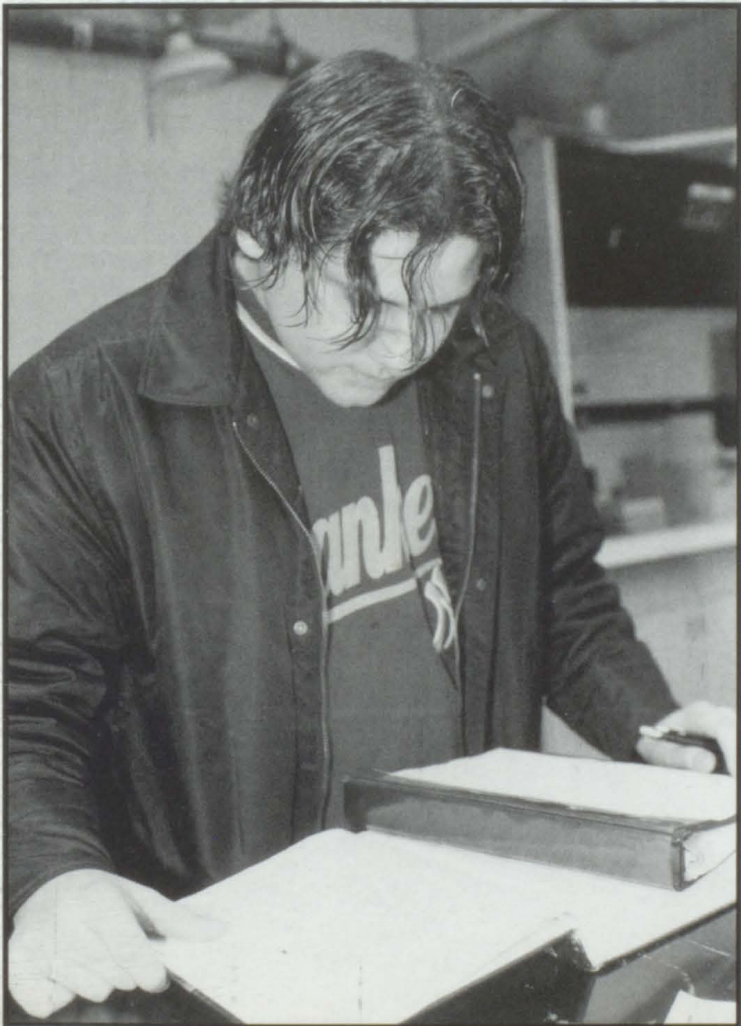
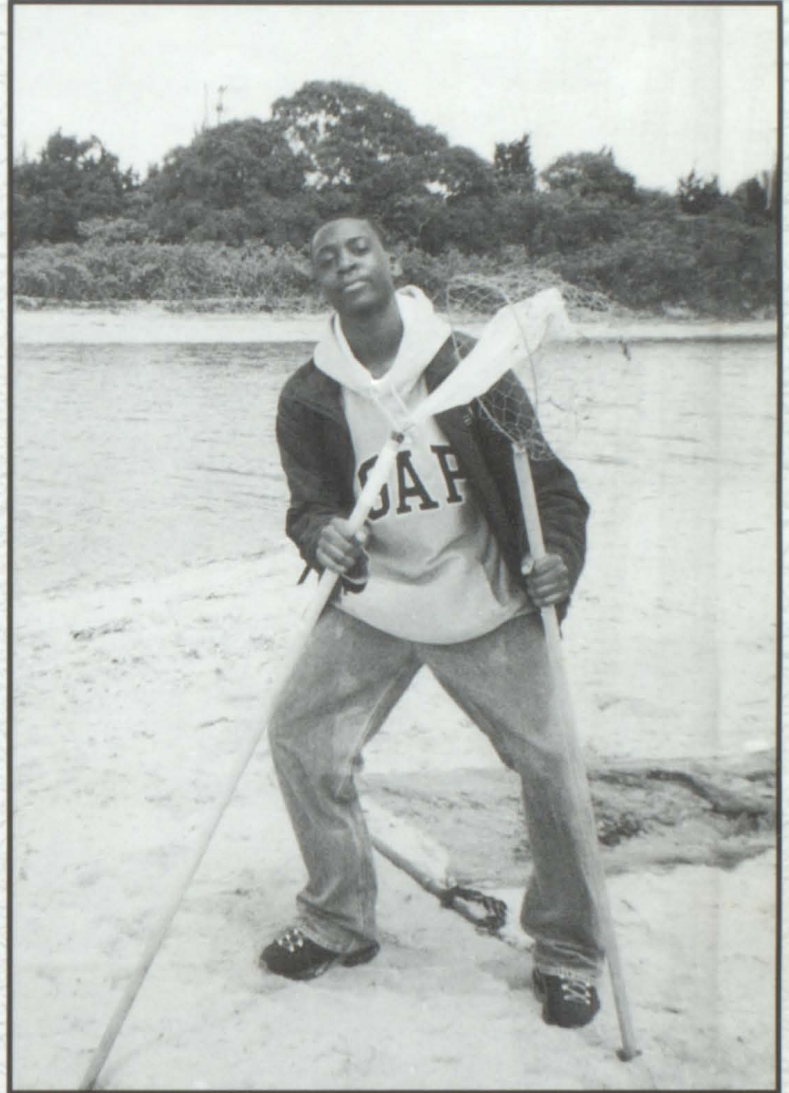
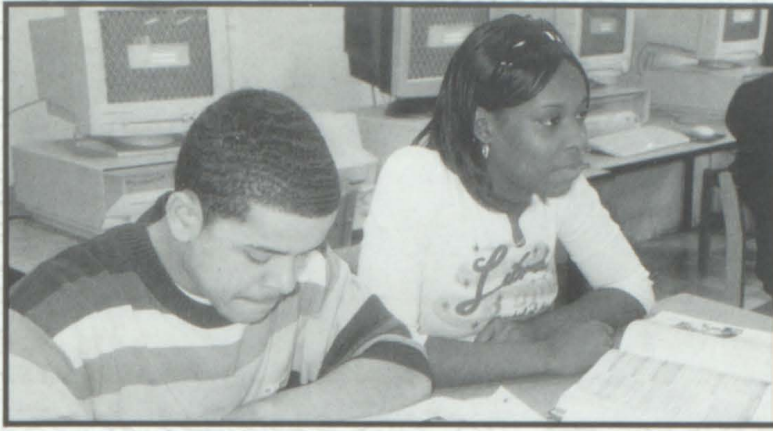


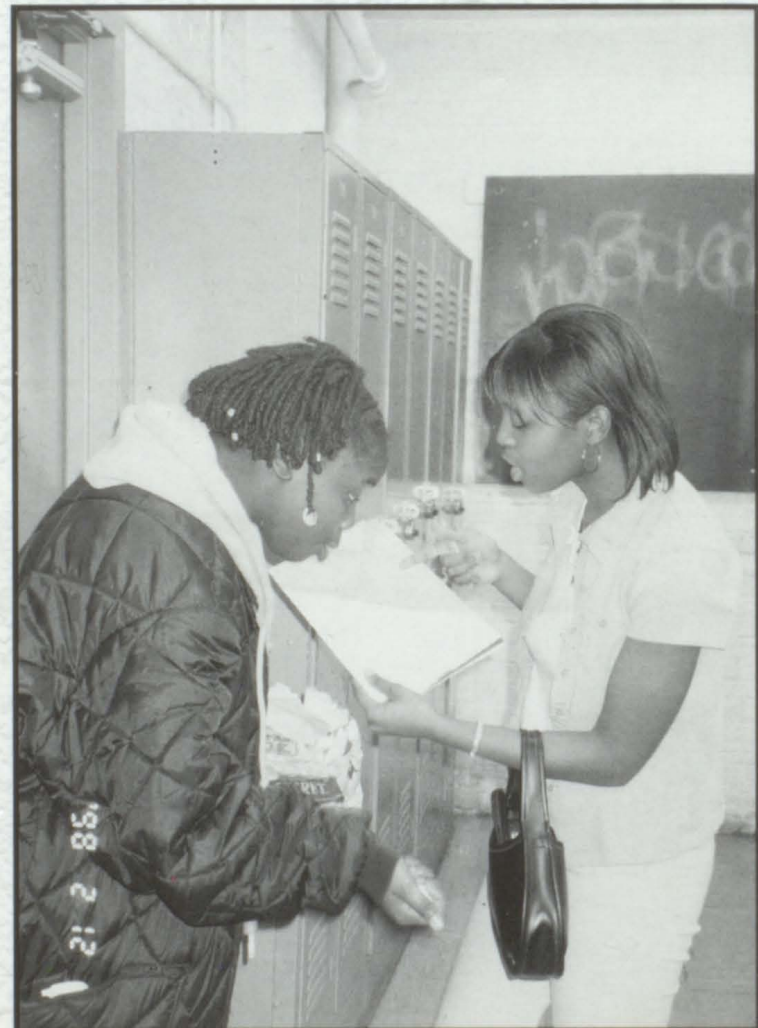
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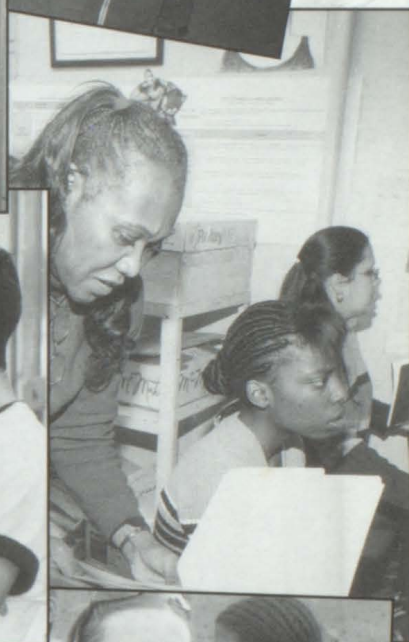
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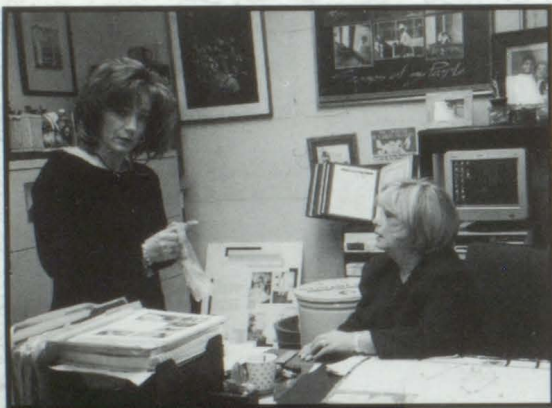
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Christine Taylor

Dear Seniors:

Ivy Baker Priest, the 30th U.S. Treasurer once observed that, "The world is round, and the place which may seem like the end may also be the beginning." Right now you are poised at such a place--the culmination of your high school career. It is at this point where you leave behind the familiar environment which has provided you with comfort and security. It is somewhat alarming to be at this point where some friendships end, some relationships change, some experiences fade. However, we can all take comfort in the knowledge that each experience and each relationship has been infused into our being--the being that will always be ready to begin the next venture. As I say good-bye, I wish you the vision and stamina to embrace all your future beginnings.

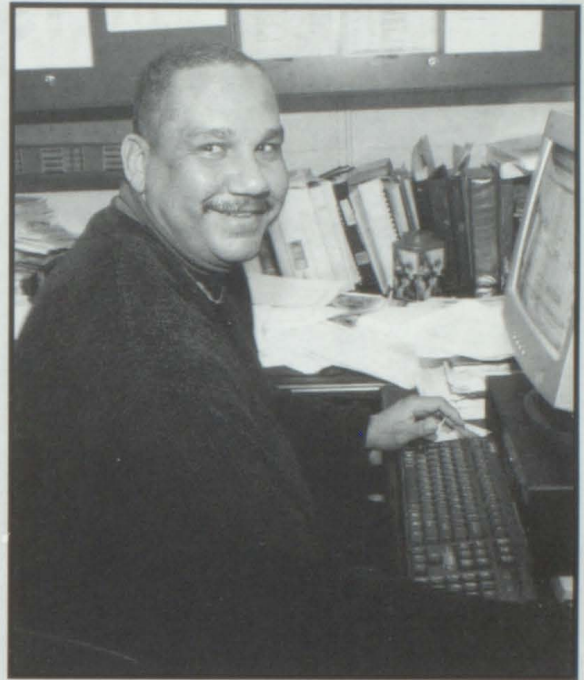


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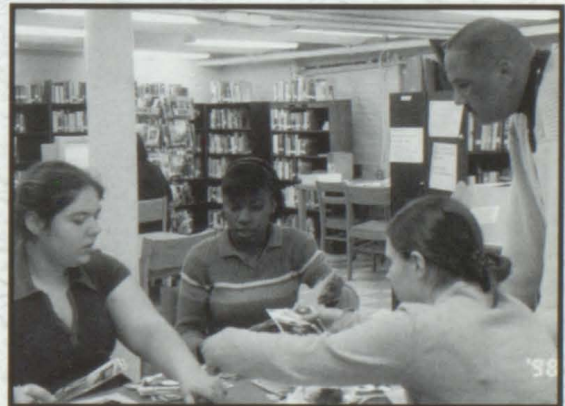
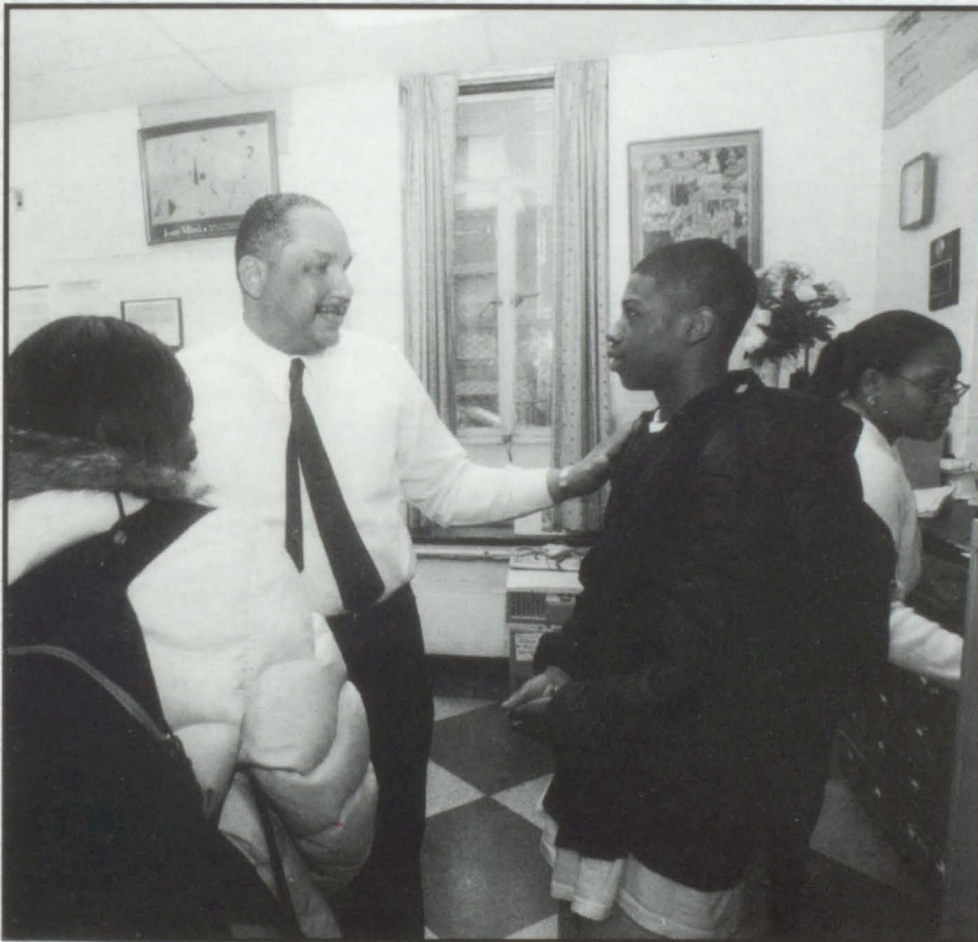
CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS

Seniors come and seniors go,
But the fun I receive is to watch them grow.
From freshman year fears, through
sophomore sorrows,
Becoming juniors waiting for their top dog
senior tomorrows.
Seniors come and seniors go,
Graduating to face the challenges we
old ones know.
Having had academic classes at SHS that
have given them knowledge,
Will allow them to pave their way to their
future via their chosen college.
Seniors come and seniors go,
But the Class of 2003 will be the class
that leaves me with a warm inner glow.
Keep you H-E-A-D U-P
And never G-I-V-E U-P

VICE PRINCIPAL



Madison Willis





Joann Hand
Chairperson

Faculty

Botany by Berton Braley
(in *Science News Letter*, March 9, 1929)

There should be no monotony
In studying your botany;
It helps to train
And spur the brain--
Unless you haven't got any.

It teaches you, does Botany,
To know the plants and spotany,
And learn just why
They live or die--
In case you want to plant or potany.

You learn, from reading Botany,
Of woody plants and cottony
That grow on earth,

And what they're worth,
And why some spots have notany.

You sketch the plants in Botany, You
learn to chart and plotany
Like corn or oats--
And what they're worth,
And why some spots have notany.

Your time, if you'll allotany,
Will teach you how and what any
Old plant or tree
Can do or be--
And that's the use of Botany.



Mridula Bajaj
Science



Richard Balsamel
Science



Carol Bucher
Science



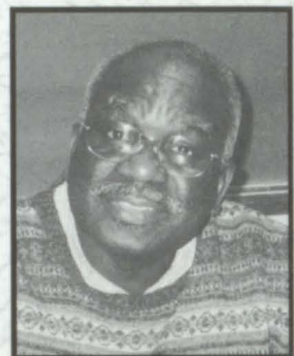
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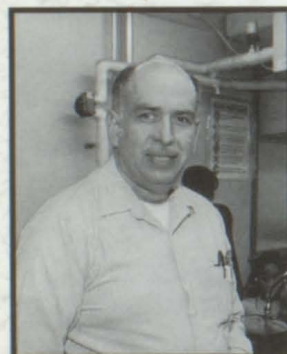
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Art



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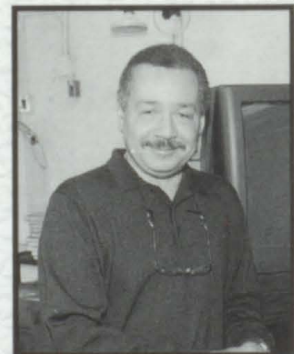
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Science



Alina Stawsky
Science



Gail Van Ekeren
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Mathematics



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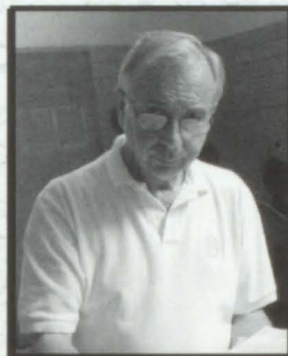
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Mathematics



Rosie Gregg
Computer Education



Elsa Matos
Mathematics



Martin Muster
Physical Education



Julie Nelson
Mathematics



Carly Olivier
Mathematics



Ruth Porzig
Mathematics



James Rake
Physical Education



Susan Rocco
Mathematics

Arithmetic by Carl Sandburg

Arithmetic is where numbers fly like pigeons in and out of your head.

Arithmetic tells you how many you lose or win if you know how many you had before you lost or won.

Arithmetic is seven eleven all good children go to heaven--or five six bundle of sticks.

Arithmetic is numbers you squeeze from your head to your hand to your pencil to your paper till you get the same answer.

Arithmetic is where the answer is right and everything is nice and you can look out of the window and see the blue sky--or the answer is wrong and you have to start all over and try again and see how it comes out this time.

Arithmetic is where you have to multiply--and you carry the multiplication table in your head and hope you won't lose it.

If you have two animal crackers, one good and one bad, and you eat one and a striped zebra with streaks all over him eats the other, how many animal crackers will you have if somebody offers you five six seven and you say No no no and you say Nay nay nay and you say Nix nix nix?

If you ask your mother for one fried egg for breakfast and she gives you two fried eggs and you eat both of them, who is better in arithmetic, you or your mother?



J. Julia Jackson
Chairperson

Faculty

"Teachers believe they have a gift for giving: it drives them with the same irrepressible drive that drives others to create a work of art or a marker or a building." --A. Bartlett Giamatti



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Spanish



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Social Studies



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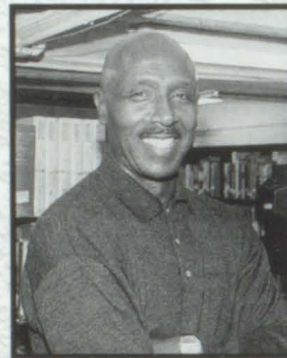
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English



James McMahon
Social Studies



Christian O'Neal
Social Studies



Isabel Pontoriero
French



Brandon Rippey
Social Studies

Faculty

"I'm not a teacher: only a fellow-traveller of whom you asked the way. I pointed ahead--ahead of myself as well as you. --George Bernard Shaw



Harold Friedman
Guidance Chairman



Terese Capriglione
Guidance Counselor



Henry Grant
Speech Therapist



Lillian Mays
*Substance Abuse
Coordinator*



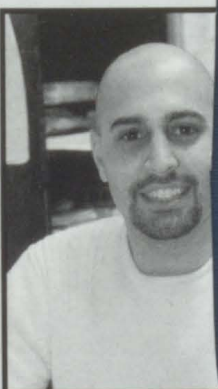
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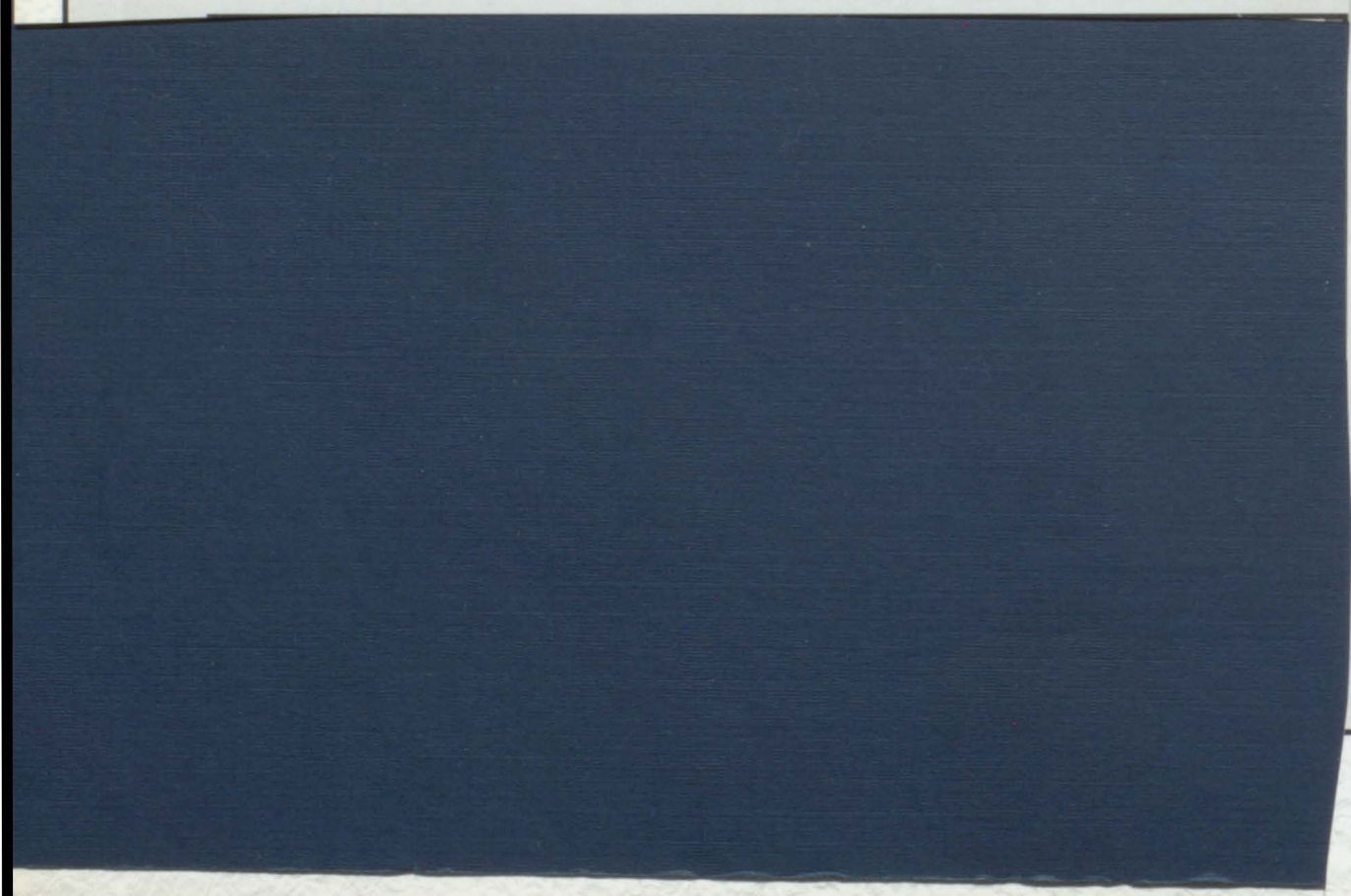
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KAY GLOVER
WITH
JACK LOVETT AND
LORENZO HALL



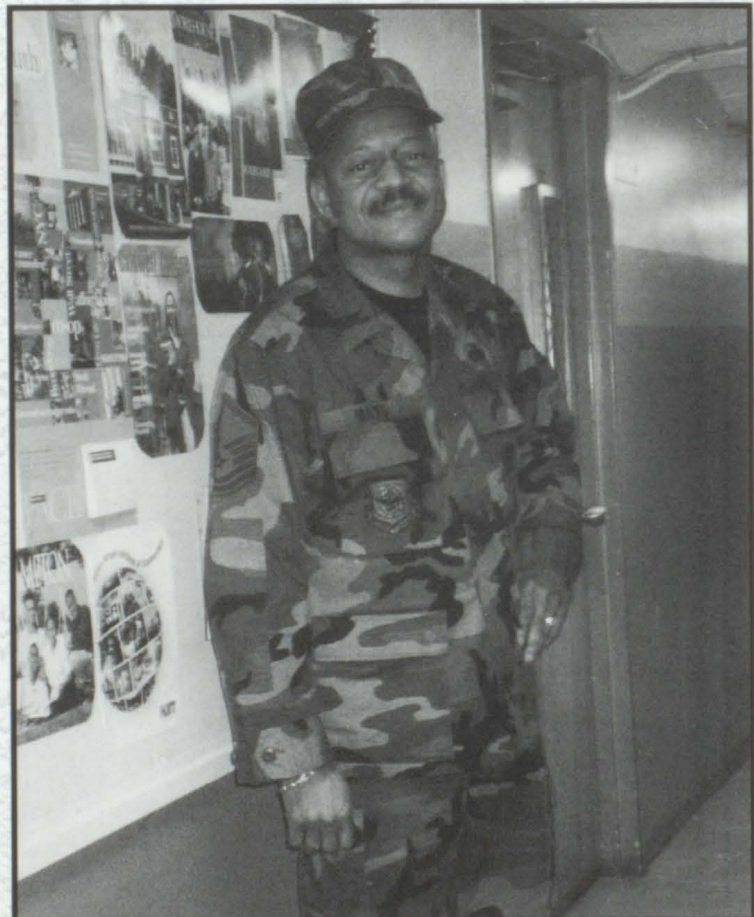
Cafeteria Staff



EVELYN PEREZ, LAVERNE MOSLEY, LINDA COOPER
AND PATRICIA HERD

Our Local Hero

His official title at Science High School is Substance Abuse Coordinator, but Mr. Lillian Mays is so much more. He is a loving husband, father and grandfather. To us, he is an educator, a friend and an advisor. Always ready to help anyone in need, he can be counted on to support the SHS family, well aware that the war on drugs is best fought with caring and understanding. He is a proud member of the Army Reserve, recognizing that some wars need a little more. Now on active duty, Mr. Mays will once again be an undaunted defender of human rights.



MR. MAYS, THE SOLDIER AND PATRIOT, ON HIS FINAL DAY AT SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL BEFORE HE EMBARKED TO FULFILL HIS DUTY IN THE IRAQI CRISIS.

AS ONE OF THE PEER LEADERSHIP ADVISORS, MR. MAYS HELPED TO MAKE THIS YEAR'S RETREATS MEMORABLE AND WORTHWHILE EXPERIENCES. MR. MAYS IS AWARE THAT THE BEST WAY TO COMBAT TEENAGE PROBLEMS IS BY SHARING THEM WITH OTHERS.

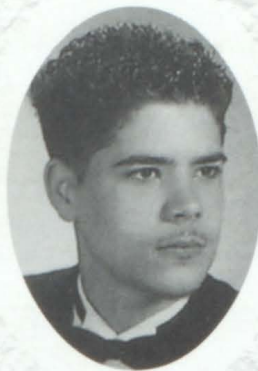
OUR TRIBUTE TO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL FAMILY IN THE SERVICE

Guns up so! Mr. Mays, come home in one piece--
Clarissa

Jose, you'll always be in my
prayers.--Patricia

To all the soldiers, be strong, and if
you pray, God will keep you safe.--
Shaakira

You're in a
tough
position,
between a
rock and a
hard place.
You're
fighting for
your country
and we show
you much
love and
support.
Come back
alive! Be
strong. Don't
cry. (We
wouldn't want
the war paint
to smudge.)
Stay focused
and remem-
ber to be a
soldier.
Whatever
happens,
know we
support you
110%--
Randy



CLASS OF 2002
JASON RESENDES

We thank you for your courage
that you are exemplifying
through your obvious dedication
to your country. Thank you for
protecting me and come home
safely. Jason, I miss you
soooooo much and you better
not leave me--come home in one
piece please. Mr. Mays--you are
the most honorable man I know--
please stay strong.--Pamela

*I hope you guys a
safe return
home.--Bryant*

RICKY, BE SAFE! TAKE
THEM OUT; STAY UP!--MIKE

Pray, Lori, one year! Come back,
you hear me--Angela

**Stay safe and I hope you all
return home just as you left;
my prayers are with you,
especially Jose.--Mary**



CLASS OF 2002
JOSE PEGO

Please don't get shot...we need you
here with us on the home front...God
bless.--Larry

Peace on earth can only begin once
we've all found peace within our
hearts. Our prayers are with all
those whose faith is protecting our
country.--Diane

Be safe and fight for what's right.--Figg

Best of luck; come home soon and safe. Maria

We can't wait until you're back home safe. -- Stephanie B.

Heroism:
what we
need to love
mustn't be
what we
love to
need. God
bless
courage.--
Erika

Hey, guys, be safe, be
careful and we love you.
We might have never said
it, but we do. Be strong
and make sure you come
back home.--Florencia

*Best of luck: you
guys shouldn't
be there, but you
are, so just get
home safe.
Jose, we got to
see Portugal
play Spain in
the Euro
2004! --
Squishy*



CLASS OF 2002
MOISES TORRES

Yo, doggies,
what is most
marvelous (2
fingers waiving)-
-Stanley

**May God be
with you all
and know
that we're
all here
praying and
rooting you
on!--Kandi**

Hey, guys. I hope
everything is going well. I
know things are tough,
but keep faith in God and
everything will go right.
You guys are heroes!
Take care and God bless
you. *Hugs*--Allie

**To all who are
there--keep your
head up and fight
on. Soon you'll be
back. --Paulo**

To all the soldiers--keep your
head up, eyes open and faith
in God. Believe in yourself
and your country, and
everything will be fine. Rest
in peace to all the fallen
soldiers; you'll be missed.
To the rest, let's go...it's war
time. *Guns Up!--Ray*

**HEY, JOE, HOW'S
IT GOING? YOU'RE
A TOUGH GUY AND
YOU'LL MAKE IT.
TALK TO YOU WHEN
YOU COME BACK.--
FRANK**

Make sure you come back because town
of you owe me money!--Steven S.

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR
COURAGE. COME HOME
SAFELY.--SATEEDRAH**

**I may not
agree with
this war, but
I still hope
for your safe
return. Be
safe and see
you soon.
Darryl**



CLASS OF 2002
JOSE A. RAMOS

Heroes, I appreciate what you are doing for us.
Be brave and make sure you return. Eric, I
better see you again Whitebread. Good luck
and my heart is with you guys.

To all the soldiers risking
their lives for my peers and
me, good luck to you. I
must give a special thanks
to Jose Pego--forever my
track captain--and
Jason...Good luck--Woody

**Jose, remember that we
love you, pray for you,
and we know you'll
come back to us soon.
You really are our hero!**

**BE SAFE AND GOD BLESS
YOU!--MIKE S.**



CLASS OF 2002
MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ

Our hearts and
prayers will be with
you throughout this
time. Be safe and
remember that we
support what you do
100%. You're
fighting for US, for
God's sake. Stay safe
and return home
safely!--Lisa

**Jose, stay safe and return home to
those who truly miss you!--Tiffany**

May God help you wherever you
may be.--Dennisse

Thank you for risking your lives for us.--
April

*STAY SAFE. WE ALL APPRECIATE
WHAT YOU ARE DOING. MR. MAYS,
YOU ARE MISSED, BUT WE KNOW YOU
ARE DOING IMPORTANT WORK. ERIC--
KEEP WELL. WE HOPE FOR YOUR
SAFE RETURN.--MRS. PORZIO*

Take Saddam's head off! Be home safe and make America proud!--Lived

JOSE AND ERIC--ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE IN OUR HEARTS. LOVE YOU!--CJNDY

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We Meant to Say Good Luck by Pam Daniels

The media reported to us that our fathers,
uncles, brothers and sisters were going to
defend our country...
They had to break it to us that we were going to
survive without a piece of our souls for a while...
So what do we do? We gave huge hugs and
kisses, little pats on the backs, and briefly went
down memory lane, reminiscing about "the good-
ole days."

What were we thinking?

We love you guys and we will miss you as well,
but its not over.
We meant to wish you "good luck" and not forget
you with "good bye"

Good bye means the neglecting of the memory
that still stands when one moves on in this
journey called existence...the closing of the book
instead of realizing that it's just the beginning of
a new chapter...

Good bye signifies the end of the era, the
completion of a saga...not assenting the accom-
plishments of those years...

Instead, let us say good luck...may God grant
you serenity...

Let us keep the memories inscribed on the
tablets of our hearts...that we may never forget
the precious moments...

Good luck is the belief in optimism that the
Creator allows for the most fitting outcome...even
if we do not understand the depth of its mean-
ing...

Good luck is the justification clinging on to
hope...hope...hope...

So to our soldiers...let us wish them Good luck
instead of leaving it at "good bye"
Because even if they fall on that battlefield of
death...at least we have their memory...and that-
that memory will last for eternity!.

The Soldier

Letter in the mail
Government inflicted hell
Draft card in hand
Teenage years disband

Combat boots with green and tan brigade
Lessons of life yet unmade
Head held high, yet drooping low
Wives cry, mothers bellow

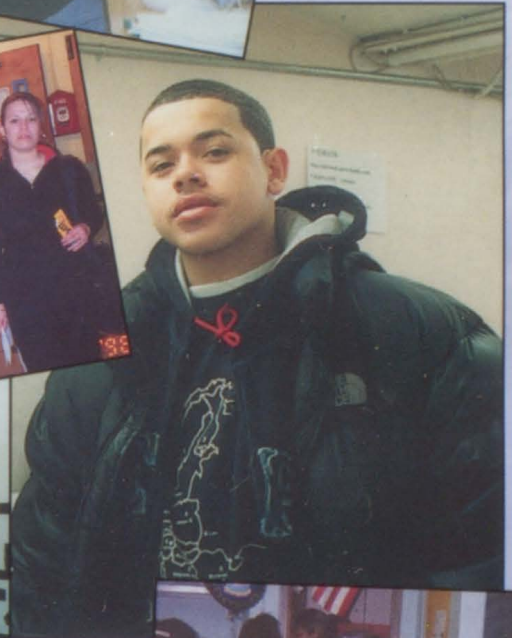
Man down, brothers frown
Cannons loose, He screams "Jesus"
Baby girl is one month old
She, he'll never hold

Reasons for fighting become clouded
Held his comrades hand and shouted
Only 22, not knowing what to do
Cause is lost, words dispersed

The Soldier fights for those at home
He seldom complains nor does he bemoan.
Gun pointed to his throat, Spirit gone afloat
Dead and buried in Freedom's name

His name is gently etched upon the wall
Gallant yet fearful, he died for us all
The Soldier spoke one last word
Earth's ears stood listening, yet the rest of the world
never heard

Written by
Melinda Gonzales
March 26, 2003
@8:41pm



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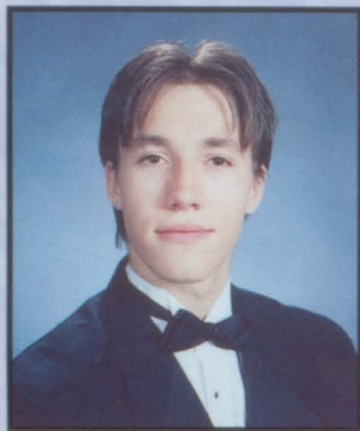


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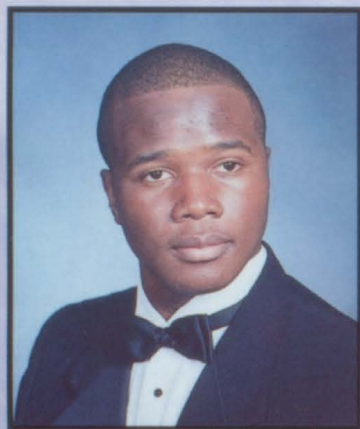
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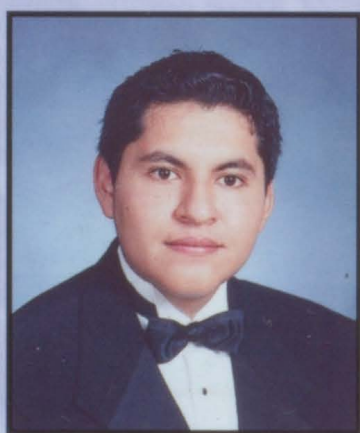
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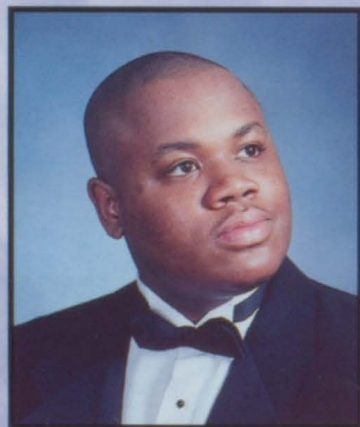
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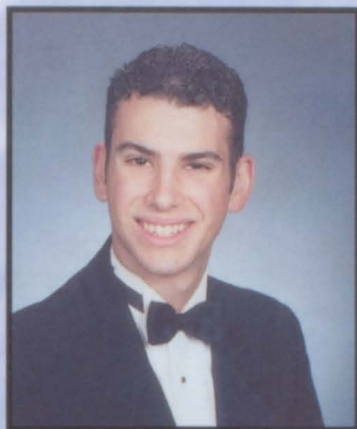


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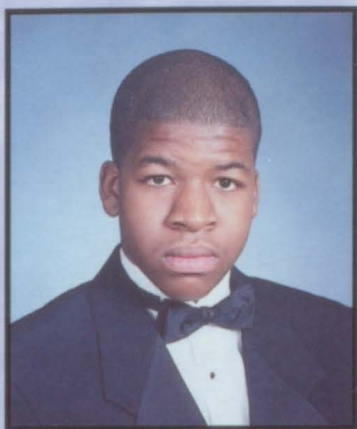
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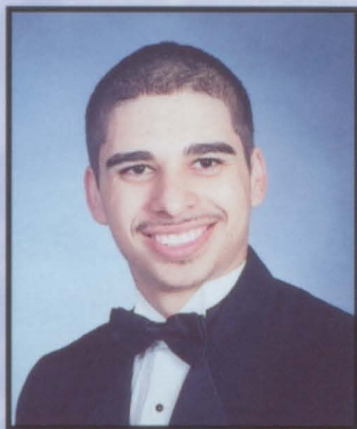
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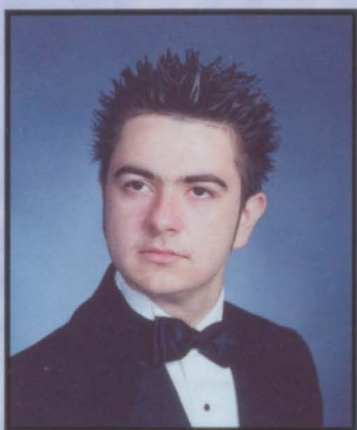
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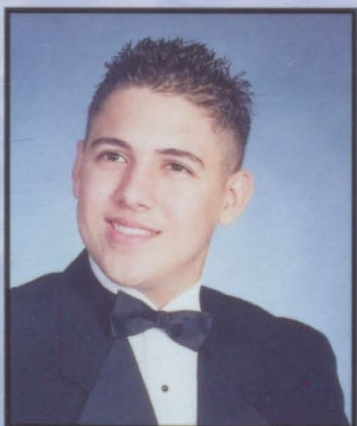
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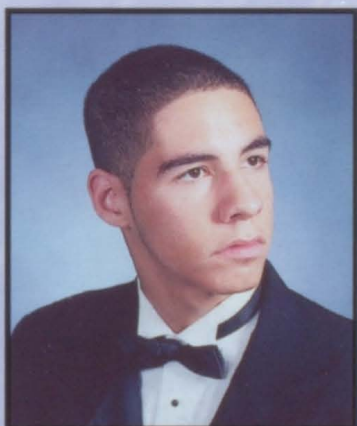
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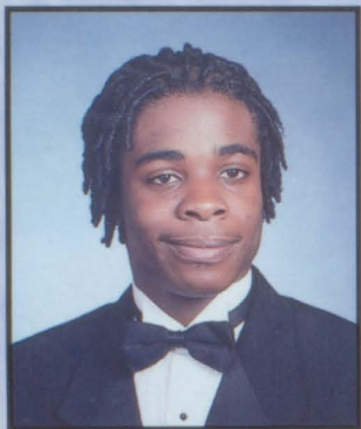


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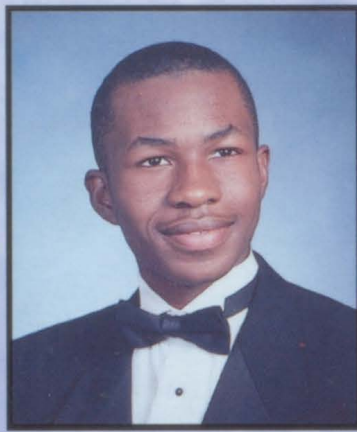
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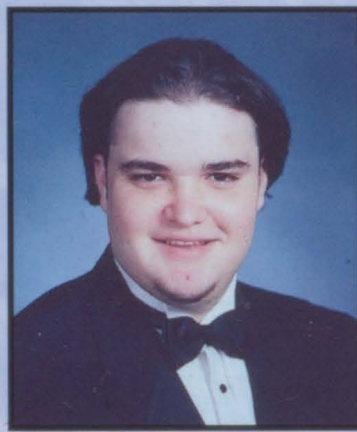
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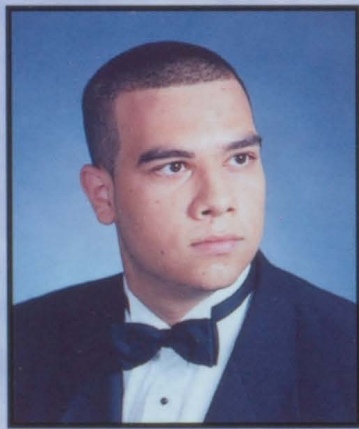
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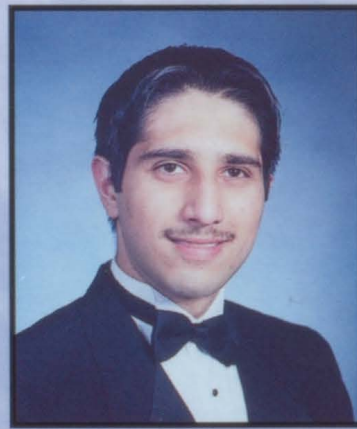
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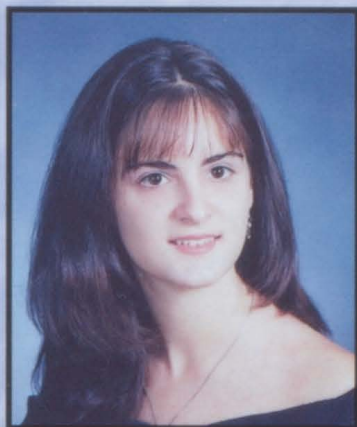
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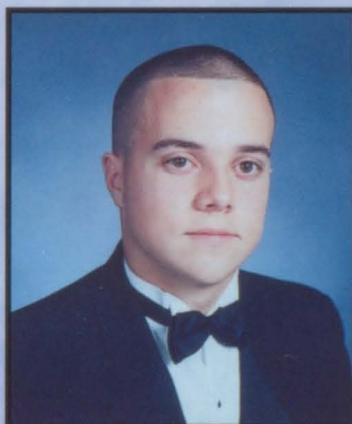
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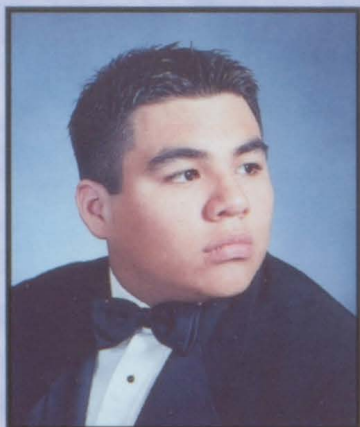


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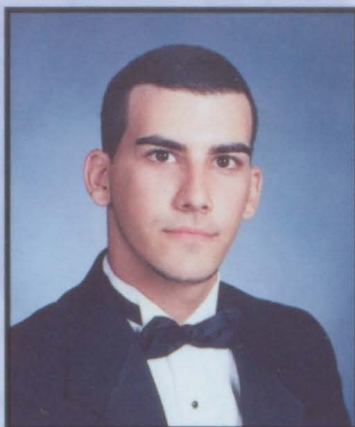
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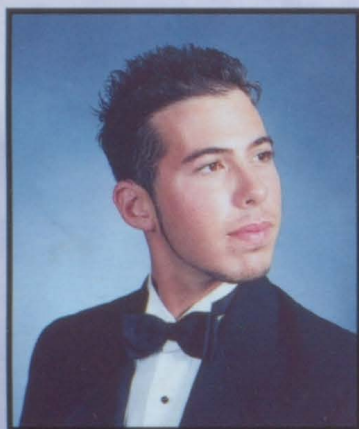
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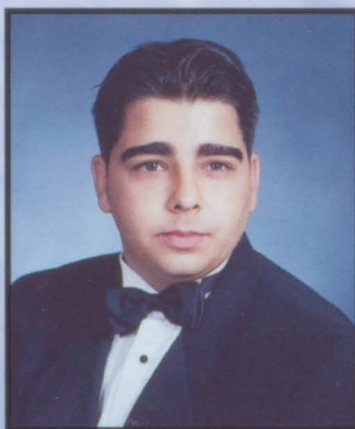
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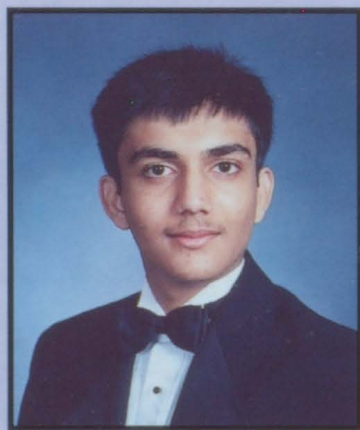
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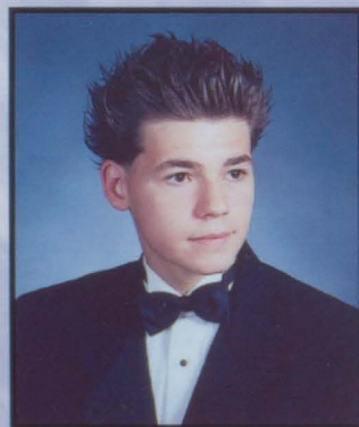
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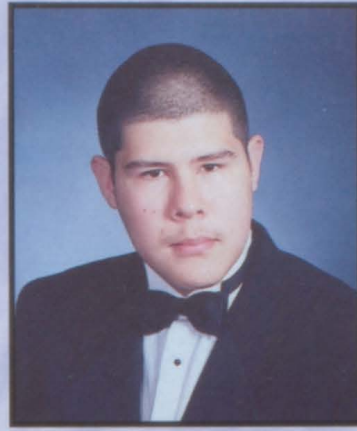
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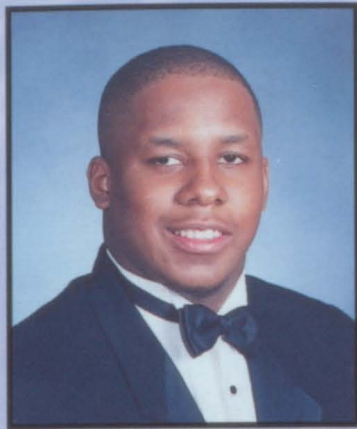
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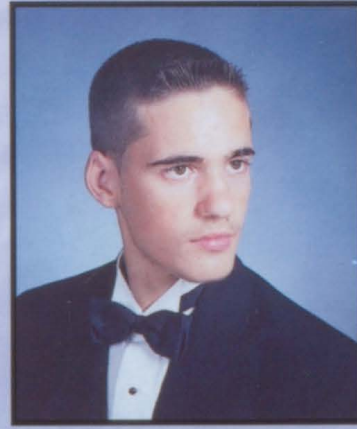
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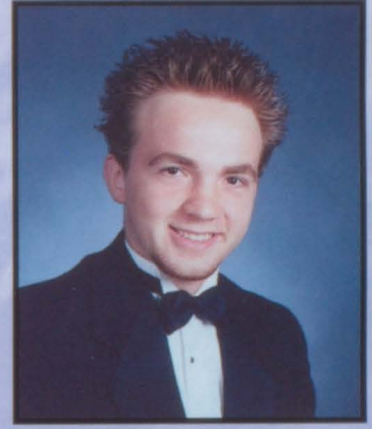
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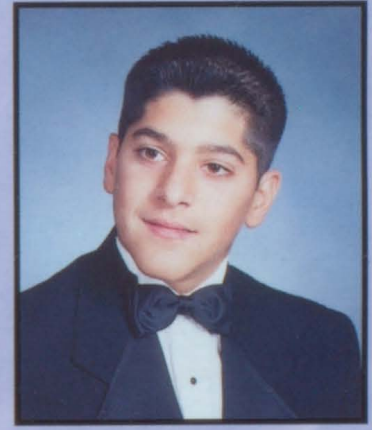
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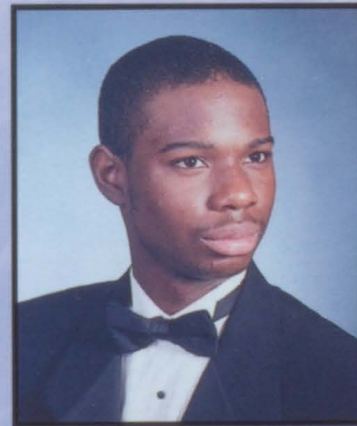
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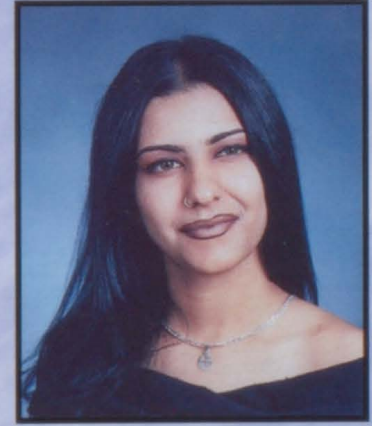
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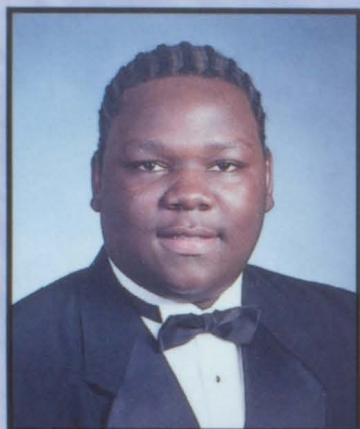


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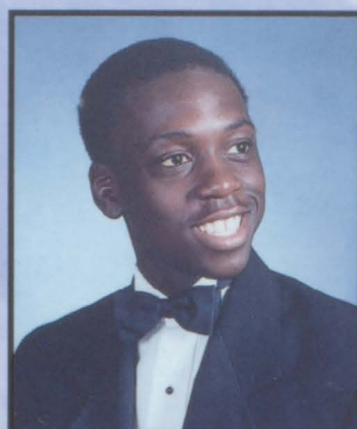
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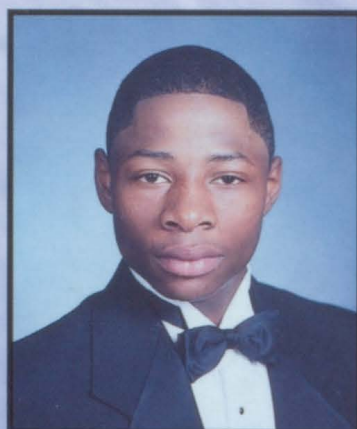
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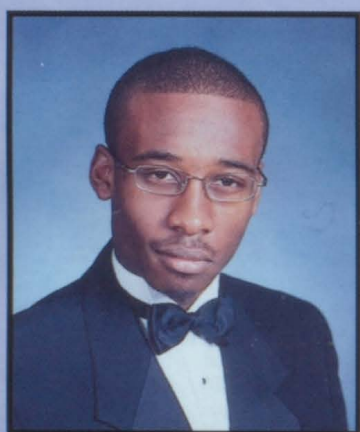
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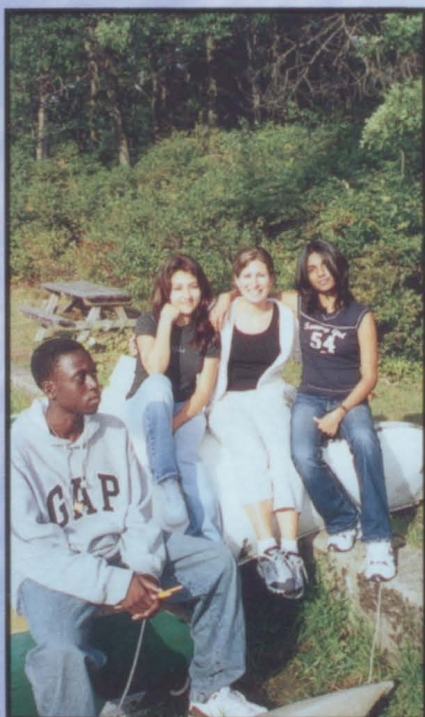
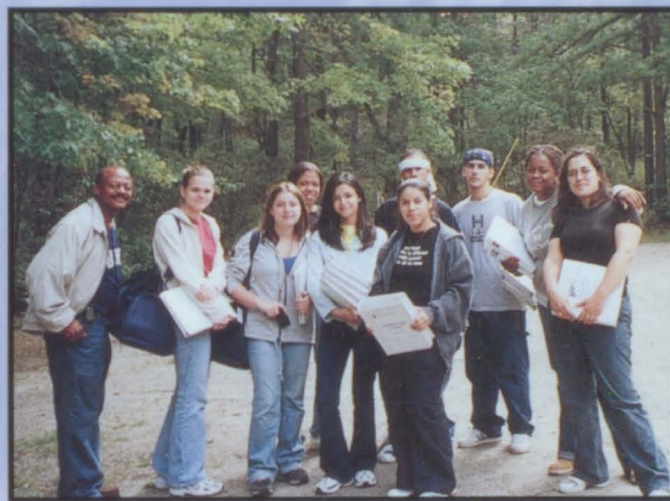


For every ending...

there is a new beginning.

SCIENCE PARK HIGH SCHOOL
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A PEERLESS BLAIRSTOWN EXPERIENCE!



The Peer Leadership Transition Project has been an unforgettable experience for all the seniors involved. Since this was the Project's first year in action at Science High, none of us were sure what to expect. We knew the general idea was to be like Big Brothers and Sisters to the incoming freshmen, welcoming and familiarizing them with our school. What we didn't know was how it would affect us as seniors. Our workshop retreats really brought our group together. We spent a lot of time talking and, to our surprise, after over three years together, we were finally getting to know one another. Not only did the Peer Leadership Program benefit the freshmen, it also formed, strengthened and deepened friendships within the senior class. We even got to know our advisors, Ms. Guido, Ms. Flores, Mrs. White and Mr. Mays, on another level. They were great facilitators and we all appreciate the opportunity they've given us to be part of such a great program. The activities we did with the freshmen--the point of the whole project--were a lot of fun, as well. We got to know many of them. It was great to see them where we were just a few years ago. They took our honest advice on everything from teachers and scheduling time to relationships and disagreements. We hope we were able to help them in this project better than our senior buddies did in the old program our freshman year. In any case, it's been an unexpected highlight for the class of 2003 peer leaders. Thanks, to our facilitators and the Class of 2006. We'll never forget you!



COOLIN' IN THE PARK...COOLIN' IN THE PARK....COOLIN' IN THE PARK...



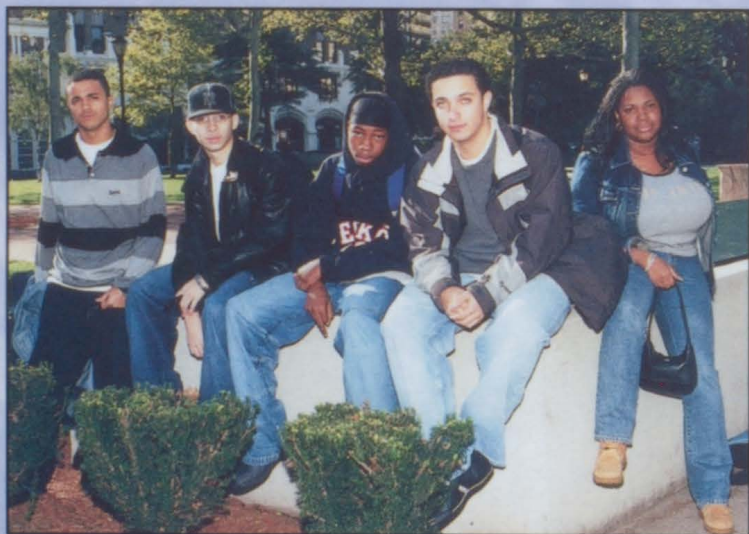
Naaaah! That can't be the late bell!



Striking a pose.



Aren't you going to miss these faces?



Are we having fun yet?



Stopping to smell the ...roses?

COOLIN' IN THE PARK...COOLIN' IN THE PARK....COOLIN' IN THE PARK...



GONE WITH THE WIND



VIVA SOCCER!



Friendship is just a word, but my girls give a meaning..



G-G-G-G UNIT!!!!



RALLY 'ROUND YOUR SCHOOL



Thug Misses



IS THAT MY CUE TO LEAVE?



Meet the new cheerleaders



S-E-N-I-O-R-S



2003... CHICKS



Oh, my God!
There's a girl touching me!

CLASS
OF
2003



LAST
SCENE





Wise "guys"



Battle of the "sexes"

SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT !!!!!

Monday, December 16, 2002

Wear your pajamas/ Bring your favorite stuffed animal

Tuesday, December 17, 2002

Wear your White T-shirts/ Jerseys

Wednesday, December 18, 2002

(Switch Day)

Males come as Ladies/ Ladies Come as Males

Thursday, December 19, 2002

Dress as your favorite Celebrity

Friday, December 20, 2002 (Pep Rally!!!!!!)

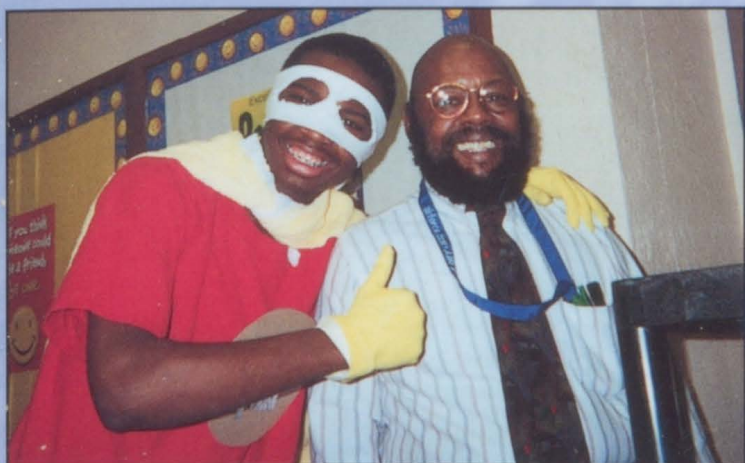
Wear your Class Colors

Senior- Blue and Gold

Juniors- Black and Red

Sophomores- Black and White

Freshman- Black and Gray



Never fear...StovaMan is here!



Bedtime or Bedlam?



Come up and see us,
sometime!



India Arie



Oh, brother!



Jersey guys and doll



Chilly today, but hot tomale!

STRESS FACTOR

By: Pamela Daniels

So the torment is finally over...
The pain has definitely ceased...
Senior year is at an end...
And anxiety has been released...

But what is that you ask?
What do I remember most?
That's right...my friend...
you guessed it...
The STRESS...I must boast...

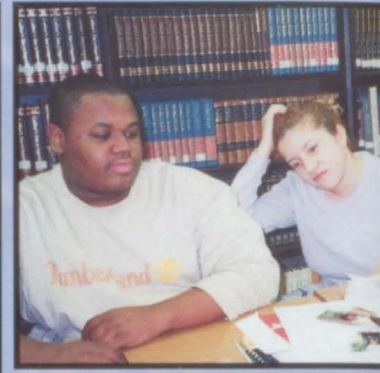
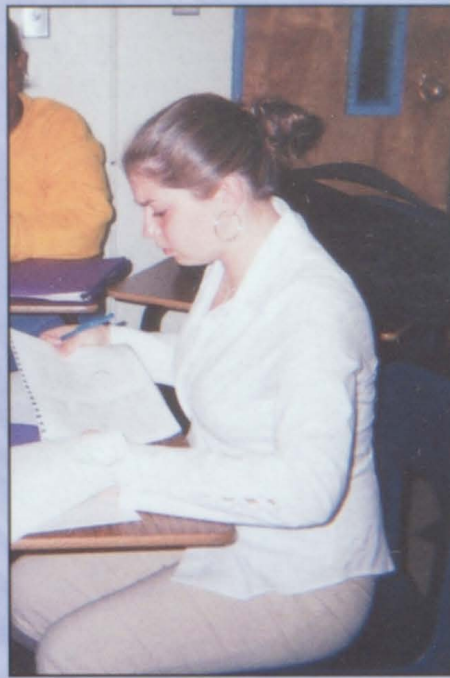
Four flights of stairs I tell you...
And then the locker jams...
And so we're late again...
To Rippey, Rake, McMahon...

302 is stuffy...
And I admit 41 is eerie...
And 109 is where...
Susie forgot pragmatic theory...

And now we come to Allie...
A student who deals with much...
Her situation indeed...
Is one all students can touch...

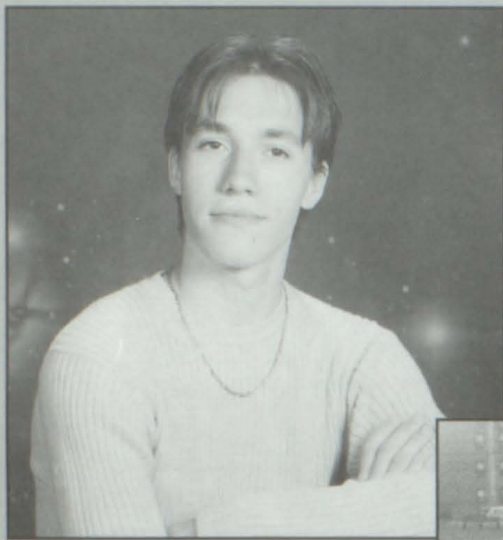
We wish it were month number ten...
So scarce we could become...
Then reality hits like a ton of bricks...
And we realize is number one...

So when we come in grouchy...
Its not personal...just our de-
meanor....
Combine mood and the STRESS
factor...
And you have 2003's SENIORS!!!





Seniors



MARCO ALMEIDA

"The man who follows the crowd will usually get no further than the crowd. The man who walks alone is likely to find himself in places no one has ever been." Alan Ashley-Pitt

"Is it so bad, then, to be misunderstood? Pythagoras was misunderstood, and Socrates, and Jesus, and Luther, and Copernicus, and Galileo, and Newton, and every pure and wise spirit that ever took flesh. To be great is to be misunderstood." Ralph Waldo Emerson. I want to wish you all the best. You've been great. The Rippists will go on forever. It's just been a blast when we weren't working. See you all at the reunions, but, hopefully, before then.

CINDY ALULEMA

It seemed like this day would never come, but it's here. The past 4 years had their good & bad, but there's some people that made SHS memorable. Aimee (cara de caca), Patty (Pattydukes), Raquel (freak) & Mary (Mary Mare), what can I say? School wouldn't have been so memorable and fun if it weren't for you. I don't know what I would've done without you guys as my best friends. T.B.F.4.L. & 143 forever. Carlos (we just clicked! ur mad kewl) Squishy (thanks for the rides to school & being yourself). Figg (xoxo) & Vanessa (Muah). Last but not least, my family-Mami&Papi, thank you for always being there and pushing me to do better. Shirley, Alexa & Jacky, my 3 older sisters, I trusted you with everything, especially personal things. Thanx. I love you & hopefully I made you proud. Anthony & Jaymie, Muah!



SUSANA ALVAREZ

Not too long ago I couldn't wait for graduation to come. Now that senior year is finally here, it's kind of scary to think that soon we'll all be going our own separate ways. I want to let all of my friends know (you know who you are) that you guys made high school worth while. I'll be taking with me a box full of memories that are going to be extremely difficult to forget. I'd also like to thank my parents and teachers for being so extremely supportive. You've been the ones giving me the little pushes I've needed (and still sometimes need) to get going. Mami, papi...I LOVE YOU So much! No sabeis cuanto aun que a veces no lo aparente. On a final note, I just want to wish the graduating class of 2003 the best of luck. You all deserve it. And thank you, Mrs. Capriglione!



SANDRA ALVES

"Throw your dreams into space like a kite, and you do not know what it will bring back--a new life, a new friend, a new love, a new country." Anais Nin

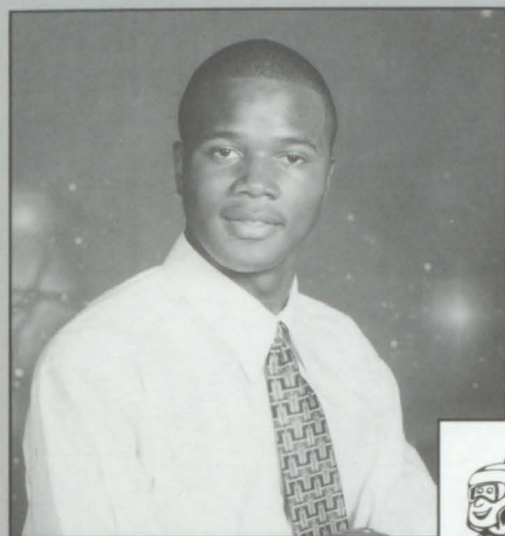
Much happiness to all in the future.



AMUWA AMEGOR

Science High has been a great help in furthering my education. Throughout the years, I've gained many friends, and at the same time lost a few. I will never forget the first time I came to Science. I thought everyone was a geek. But over the years I've grown to like Science and I would recommend it to anyone who wants to expand their knowledge or wants a good academic challenge.

"Man can gain a vast amount of knowledge, but the understanding and application of that knowledge is what defines the man."--



DIANE ARAUJO

Throughout the past four years we have grown together, cried, laughed, and have shared numerous memories that will forever be engraved in my heart. I've grown close to everyone and will always take you with me. Now, here we stand, high school graduates with our whole lives ahead of us, but with memories that will never be forgotten. To my true friends, thanks for the support and love. To my best girls, I can't imagine how I'd have made it without your laughs, cries, and advice. My family is most important; without them I wouldn't be half the person I am today. I love you, mommy, daddy, and David. Sodes os meus guias. To my soulmate and high school sweetheart, I Love You. Never forget our times together. Congratulations, Class of 2003! I will forever miss you. God Bless.





KIANA ASKEW

First of all, I want to give honor to my Lord and Savior, Jesus. Without Him I am nothing.

It's finally here! Who would have known that it would go by so fast. I have only been here at Science for two years, and it feels like I've been here all four years. I also want to thank the people who helped me through my hard times--they know who they are. I especially want to thank my parents for pushing me so hard and keeping me focused when I got out of line. I want to congratulate and wish the best of luck to the Class of 2003. WE DID IT!!!



ISABEL AZEVEDO

As I leave this school, I can still remember how four years ago I put my first steps into Science High School. Now, the years are over even though it seems it was just yesterday. While I walk out leaving footprints, I think about the bad times, but take with me all the great memories that we have shared throughout these wonderful years. I would like to thank my family, friends, teachers and everyone else who helped me get through everything and get this far. Congrats to my fellow classmates of 2003, and good luck in the future.



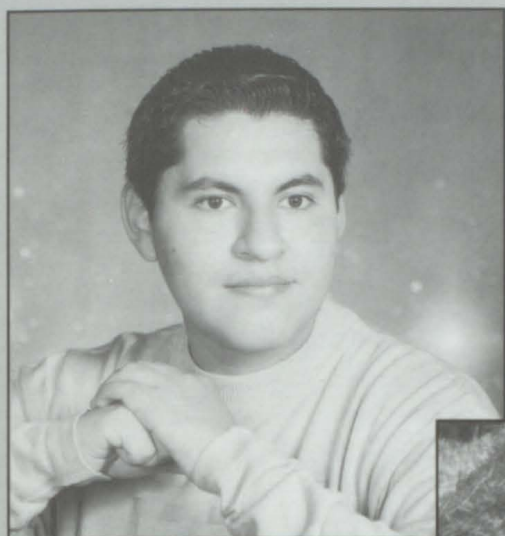
DIANA BAEZ

I can't believe that the time has come to recognize all those who helped me in succeeding to graduate. First and foremost, I want to thank God. I truly believe that God has been the One to pull me through all the difficult situations I've encountered throughout the past 4 years; my family & friends for believing in me and encouraging me to continue. Although I have not had my mom physically present through my high school years, I strongly believe her spirit is guiding and protecting me from above. I love you, Mom, and always have you in my heart. I hope I've made you proud so far! To the one person I'll love and have in my heart always- I wish you nothing but the best in life. Stay Beautiful! Finally...Congratulations, Class of 2003! We made it! =o] *Be safe & God Bless U all*



AIMEE BARTLING

"Live every day as if it were your last, because life is a gift--that's why they call it the present." Life itself is an obstacle--for some more than for others. For me, this is what has made me a stronger person. There were times when I wondered where the strength came from. It came from those who loved me. Love can get you through anything in life, especially when it comes from those you love the most. Mom and Dad, I love you, and Mommy, you really are my best friend. Bash and Sammy--I'll always be here, babies--Love you! Titi and Nadia--where would I be without my *hermanas*! Mr. Bristol--*mi professor favorito*! My girls--I love all of you, and believe me, it ain't over yet! B.A.C. forever! No matter where this journey takes me, I'll never forget where it all started.
--Love always, Aimee.



MARCOS BAYAS

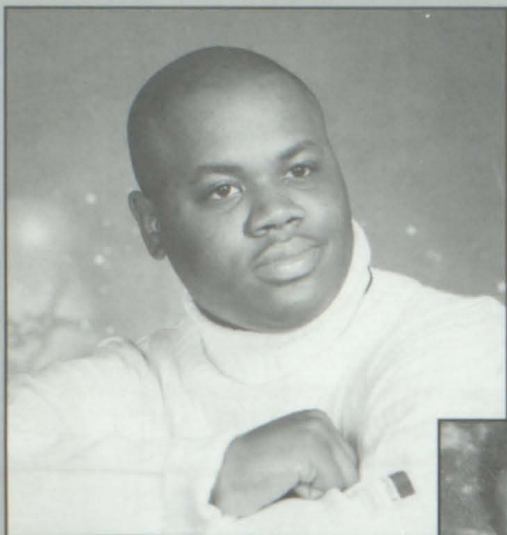
Time has flown by and along with it, my years at Science High. The memories and lessons of these past years will remain in my heart forever. Science High has helped me understand myself and has brought out the best in me. I've known many extraordinary people who have put a mark on my soul. I'll never forget Tiffany, Stephanie B., Dennisse, Dalia, & other delightful classmates. My dear friends, you will always have a special place in my heart. Of course, I can't forget the wonderful teachers who've guided me in the correct path. I'm forever grateful for their enlightenment. Special thanks to Ms. Handelman, Mrs. Rocco, Mrs. Bajaj, Ms. Roach, and Mrs. Jackson. Finally, I want to express my gratitude to my parents, especially my mother, who is the strength of my soul. *Familia, recuerden que los quiero mucho!* Best wishes



SATEEDRAH BECKWITH

"No pessimist ever discovered the secret of the stars, or sailed to an uncharted land, or opened a new doorway for the human spirit." ---Helen Keller





MARQUIS BELL

"Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there."

--Will Rogers, American humorist and social critic



RHEA BERNARD

Surviving Science High School hasn't been easy, but we made it! The little sanity I have left I owe to my parents. Thanks for trying to keep me calm when things got tough. To my SHS teachers, counselors and advisors, I truly appreciate all you've done for me. To my classmates, thanks for making school both bearable and entertaining the past 4 years. Kandi, Isis and Ana, I couldn't ask for a better group of friends; thanks for the memories. Stephanie C., thanks for being a true friend all this time, and Woodly, thanks for the laughs. I'll miss all of you. As for the rest of the SHS Class of 2003, I know I'll never forget you, even if I try. Stay Strong, and Best Wishes. "What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us." Ralph Waldo Emerson.



STEPHANIE BERNARDES



In a few years from now, high school will be a mere collection of memories--faces in scrapbooks that make you laugh and singsong voices that never seem to go away. These precious moments would never have taken place if it were not for the many incredible people at Science High, who are simply known to us as our friends. I want to thank my dear friends, whom I have annoyed constantly these past four years with my weird laugh and unusual behavior. All of you have made my high school years special and unforgettable. I will never forget any of you, so you'd better not forget me. I also want to thank my parents for all of their love and support. I LOVE YOU!!!!



KANDI BERRYMAN

When I came to SHS, I thought I was in for the worst 4 years of my life. Since then, the people I met and the experiences that occurred have changed that view. The years have gone by so fast, I feel we haven't taken time to notice all the changes. We've been through so much together. We watched each other turn into adults; it hurts to know our time together is over. I love you guys to death and wish ya'll the best of luck in whatever career path you choose. Class of 2003 FOREVER!! :) To my new buddies: Rhea & Isis--we had alot of laughs and we're still sharing some of those laughs. Ya'll kept me together junior year & I appreciate it. Love Ya'll. My best friends in the whole world--Pam, Tasha, Paulette and Sandra--we've been cool for so long--that just shows the power of friendship. I love you guys. To my Mount Vernon Crew, I'll see ya'll around.



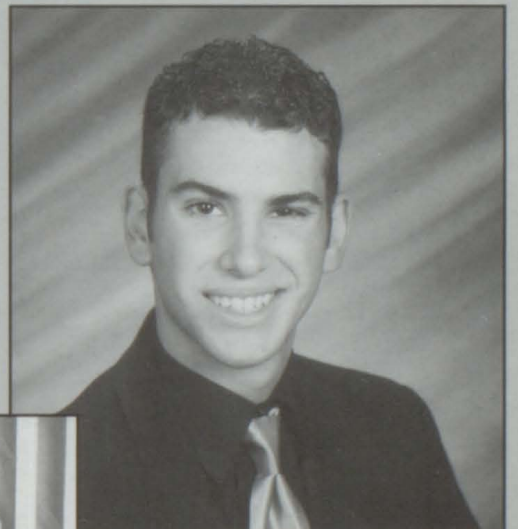
LISA BHOAJ

High school's been such a difficult journey, yet the experience has been an amazing one. I want to thank my friends who were there for me through good and bad times...more bad than good. I send my gratitude to all my teachers who allowed me to grow intellectually and emotionally. To my brother Ravi, thanks for having faith in me and supporting all my decisions. You are the greatest brother! Thanks for making me smile when I was down. I love you with all my heart. I'd like to thank my parents who mean the world to me. You both have stopped at nothing to make sure that your son and daughter live the happiest life. You were there for me whenever I needed you and gave me 100% support. Believe me, no one can ever take your places in my heart. I love you both so much and promise to be the one who always makes you laugh and smile, for you definitely are my rays of sunshine.



CHRISTOPHER CABRERA

I'd like to thank and wish the best of luck to my personal friends, April, Joe, Steve and Mike. We have experienced alot these 4 years and each time our friendship has gotten stronger. April, your kick-butt attitude is what makes you so unique. You're never afraid to speak your mind and that's what makes you so great. Joe, no matter what comes your way, you always seem to come out on top. Your personality is what separates you from the rest. Steve, your carefree attitude and smart wits are what'll make you succeed in this world. Never let this trait of yours fade. Mike, you were always like a brother to me. You're a tough little guy and you live for the moment. Never lose that fire. Lastly, I'd like to thank my family for all their love and support.





MARIA CAMPAÑA

There is not much that I can say at this end. For every beginning there is an end, and to every end there is a beginning. These last four years have been memorable; every little detail is embedded in my mind. However, I will not leave here with tears in my eyes because I know that a bright future is ahead of me and is ahead of us all. I want to thank my family for supporting me and being behind me all the way. I couldn't have done it without you. I also want to thank my friends because without you, I would have fallen apart. Without family and true friends, there is no reason to continue striving in this cruel world. It's those few people who make it all worth while. Good Luck to the Class of 2003. I know that you will all succeed.



PATRICIA CANTARA

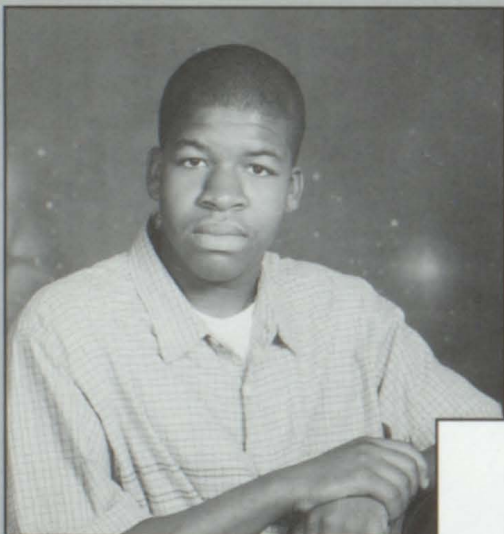
In the past four years I've met some pretty amazing people. Some I've kept real close and some I haven't, but I'll never forget anyone. High school wasn't as bad as I thought it would be. I had good times as well as bad, but through it all, my friends have always been there. So, to Mary, Aimee, Andreia, Cindy and Vera, I give you all my thanks. Although we might split up, we'll always have our memories. I've learned a lot through each and every one of you, and I hope you have learned from me. I'll truly miss you all!

Love always, Patricia



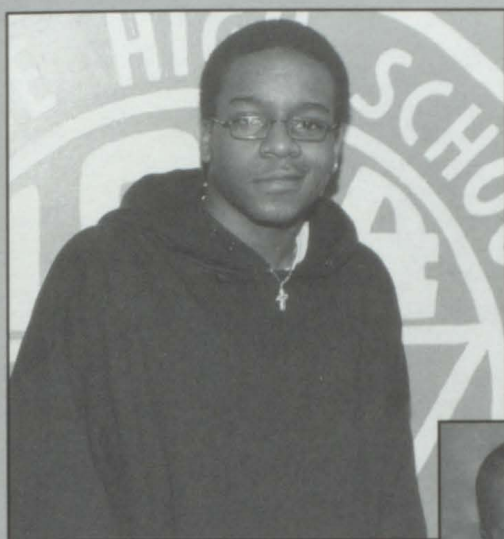
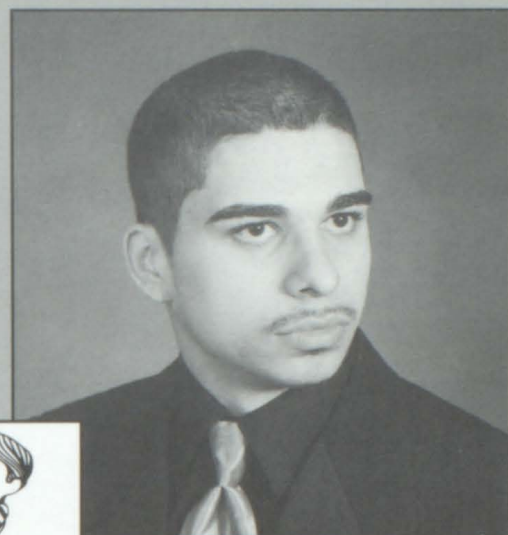
LARRY CARMANT

I'd be lying if I said that I wasn't ready to leave Science High. Most people use this space to thank family and friends, but I don't remember them doing any of my homework or taking any of my tests, so when it comes to graduating --that was pretty much all me. But somewhere in between all those test and homework assignments certain people made Science High a great place to be. I want to thank people like Isis, Kandi, Stan, Pam, Julius, Pedro, Sandra, Randy --and the rest, Good luck in the future. And as for God---Thank God it's finally over!



ALEXANDER CINTRON

"To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; to leave the world a little better; whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is the meaning of success."
--Ralph Waldo Emerson, American writer, Transcendentalist.



GEORGE CLAPPS

"The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again, who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, and spends himself in a worthy cause; who at best, knows the triumph of high achievement; and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat."

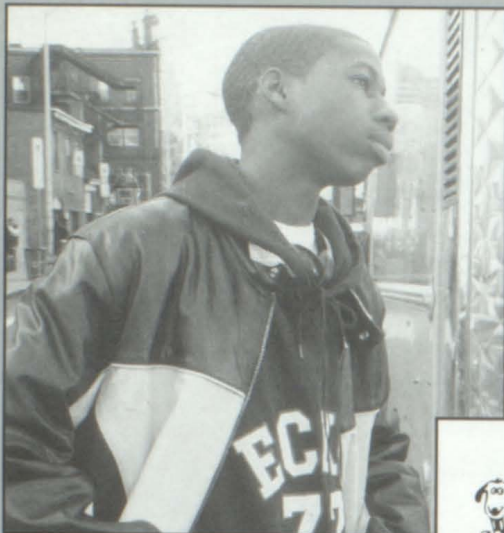
--Theodore Roosevelt, "Citizen in a Republic", April 23, 1910



STEPHANIE COLON

Can you believe it? We've finally made it!!--When I was a freshman, I never thought I would make it, but here I am...finally graduating. Well, I would like to take this chance to thank all of my friends for being there for me. These four years for me haven't been easy due to problems at home, but it was you guys who were by my side the whole time and have helped me get here. There are too many of you to thank, but you guys know who you are. Thanx--I love you!! Muah!!





JULIUS CONAWAY

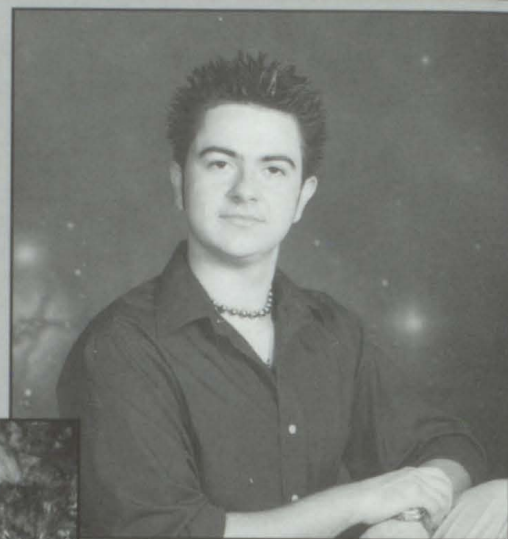
Einstein's Three Rules of Work:

- 1) Out of clutter find simplicity;
- 2) From discord find harmony;
- 3) In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.



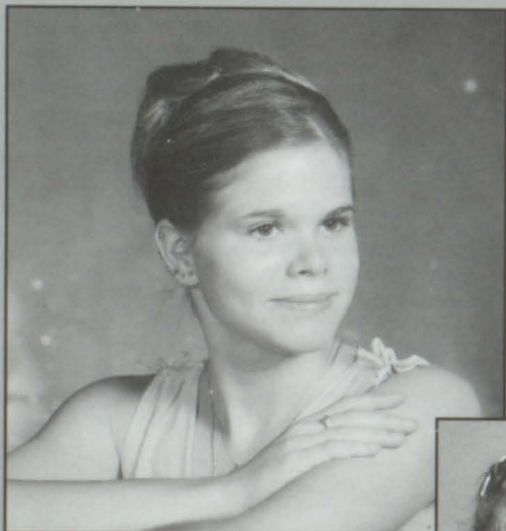
DAWID DABROWSKI

Whoever said these are the best years of our lives are absolutely correct. High school has been one hell of a roller coaster ride. From the first day freshman year to graduation, it's been a non-stop learning experience. Freshman year I learned that the "comb-over" wasn't exactly a popular hairstyle and senior year I learned who my true friends are and who I am. In between and throughout those years, it has been new experience after another--not to mention tests of one's stamina, strength, endurance, heart and loyalty. It wouldn't've been high school without the close people we call friends. I think without T and Ziggy, high school would have been incredibly uneventful and boring. I thank you guys for 4 amazing years & many more to come. To Cube and the rest of the crew: Mike, Joe, Steve, April, Fern, and Figg, it's been nothing but fun. As my elementary school Principal, Mr. Maccia, wrote in my 8th grade Yearbook--"Veni, Vidi, Vicci." "I came; I saw; I conquered!"



APRIL D'ALESSIO

Mom, I know that you are proud of me for all that I have accomplished. In my heart, I know you are smiling down on me from heaven. I love you with all of my heart. Grandma and Uncle Anthony, I love you both, and thank you for raising me to become the person I am today. Jenny, my best friend, I love you, b*#\$@; we'll be friends forever! Veronica, we are one and the same. Thanks for always being there. To the rest of my friends--Joey, Steve, Victor, Chris, Mike and Marco--you guys are the craziest and always know how to make me laugh. I'll miss you all. Ms. Capriglione, thanks for your uplifting talks. My life has been unpredictable, but one day I will understand why things are the way they are. Life is too short to waste on people who don't truly care about you..



PAMELA DANIELS

How can one spell miracle? F-R-I-E-N-D-S! That's a true miracle. They have an uncanny ability that is of God that has enabled me to survive and fight the good fight. Kandi, Sandra, Paulette, and Tasha...my sisters....thank you so much for your love, respect and friendship. To my parents: I LOVE you two so much. Your middle baby has finally grown up and matured into a woman! AA, I know we fight alot, but I love you to death. Nina--I don't see you often, but I know where to find you--in the skies-- I'm proud of you. To my Sweets, baby, thanx for wiping all my tears away! You'll always have a place in my heart. To those who kept the journey interesting: Larry, Pedro, Randy, Stanley, Steph, Baby Beca and, of course, the infamous Ill Hill Crew...much love, respect and success. Entering a girl...leaving a woman...



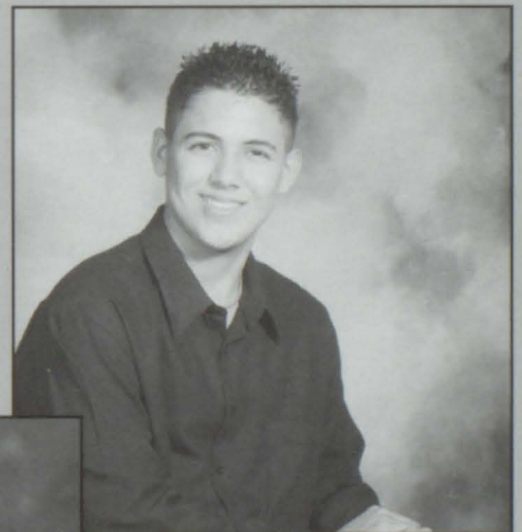
ANA DA SILVA

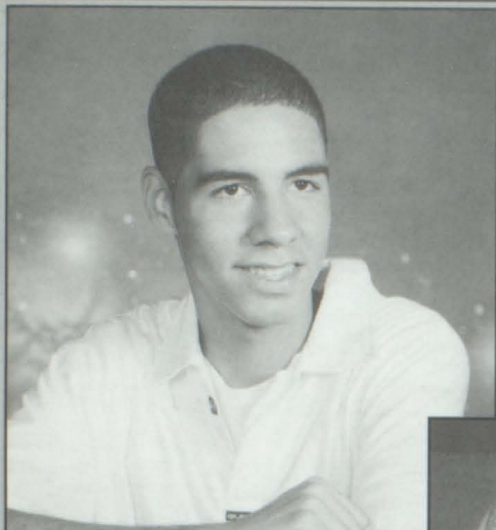
It seems like just yesterday I was starting my high school years, but now it is coming to an end. But, with every ending there is a new beginning. Congratulations to the senior class. I wish everyone the best of luck. Also, I want to give thanks to God for helping me through my struggles; my parents for always believing in me (I love you, Mommy and Daddy--you're the best parents that anyone could have. You have made me what I am today); and my teachers for always helping me do better. Shout-outs to all of my friends. You guys hold a special place in my heart. Thanks for all the good memories. These past 4 years have been unforgettable.



FELIPE DA SILVA

I would like to thank my mother for all the love and support throughout my high school years. I am very grateful, mom, and I will always love you for that. I would also like to thank all the people who have had a positive influence in my life; if you have had one, you know who you are. Last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank you, Jandra, for being a great friend and a great girlfriend. I love you, baby!!! Thank you all very much. Good luck to everyone. PEACE.





THIAGO DA SILVA

The years at Science have been incredible. I wouldn't have made it without the guidance of my parents, whom I love very much. Thanks for always supporting me and pushing me to try my hardest even when I didn't want to. Amanda, your little brother is growing up. You also hold a special place in my heart; I love you more than the world itself. I have been blessed with good teachers and good friends throughout high school. Mr. Rippey, you're not only my teacher, but my friend. I've learned so much from being in your classes for 3 years; and it's been a pleasure. Frank, you've always been there for me even before high school. Don't ever change--I know I won't. You were always there to make times fun even when they were depressing. Dave and Ziggy, don't ever forget the amazing music we made together. You're amazing friends and high school definitely wouldn't've been fun without you. I also thank all the other crews and ladies for good times. I leave the class of 2003 with some words of wisdom: "Don't hate the playa; hate the game."

LANESSA DAVIS

I've found, "a place to spend my quiet nights, time to unwind. So much pressure in this life of mine, I cry at times. I once contemplated suicide, and woulda tried. But when I held that 9, all I would see was my momma's eyes. No one knows my struggle, they only see the trouble. Not knowin' it's hard to carry on when no one loves you." --Tupac. Sendin' love to all those who made my last 4 years worth living: Aidah, Tena, Clarissa, Quiera, Cristina, Felicia, JC, Vera, Kiiana, Julius, Lionel, Ray, Steph, Sateedrah, Stan, Mike and last, but not least, Roger. For all those who thought they were better than me and thought I couldn't make it, I hope you find these 3 words VERY helpful...F*** all ya'll. Now run and tell that.



PAULO DE CALDAS

I'll Catch the Sun

by Rod McKuen

I'll catch the sun/and never give it back again.

I'll catch the sun/and keep it for my own.

And in a world where no one understands

I'll take my outstretched hand

and offer it to anyone

who comes along and tells me.

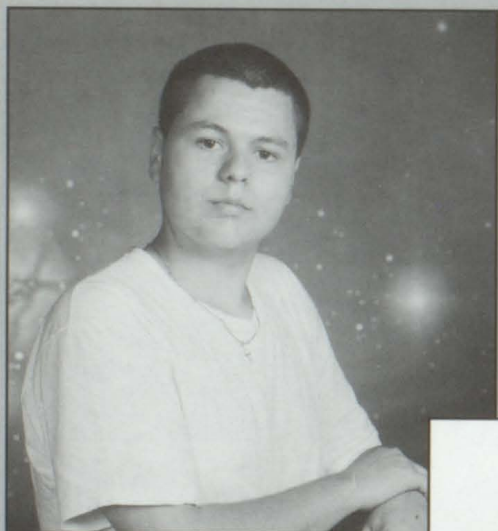
He's or she's in need of love.

In need of hope or maybe just a friend.

Perhaps in time I'll even share my sun

with that new *anyone*

To whom I gave my hand.



STEPHAN DEXTRA

"Let us resolve to be masters, not victims, of our history, controlling our own destiny without giving way to blind suspicions and emotions."

--John F. Kennedy, U.S. President, writer.



BRENDA DORCELY

I would like to primarily thank Almighty God; with Him I was able to make it through these four years of High School. Next, I will like to give great thanks to my parents; without their love and compassion, these four years would have been difficult. I would also like to say thank you to all the teachers. Their countless hours of lessons have prepared me to go out into the real world. I give the best of luck to Dalia, Marquis, Terrel, Aidah, Darryl, Marcos, Tiffany, and to those I did not mention. To the Class of 2003, good luck in the years to come. We made it and survived. We have finished one chapter; now let us storm strongly into another.



VERA DUARTE

To the Class of 2003 I want to wish the best of luck throughout life. Everything has come to an end. All we have to take with us are the memories we all created. Remember, never take anything for granted. To all my **** friends - Quiera, LaNessa, and Kiiana - you guys have made my years at Science the best. To my closest friends - thanks for letting me know that I'm not alone in this world. Dave, thanks for being my best friend and for standing by my side even through the bad times. I've learned alot from you. Dad, Mom, Ricardo, and Jessica... thanks for guiding and supporting me in everything I do. I love you all. Lastly, I want to thank God for giving me the gift of life. "Life is to be fortified by many friendships. To love and to be loved is the greatest happiness of existence." Vera





ANGELA ESTELA

Abundant is my life; that's for certain. My family, you never fail to seize my attention, open my mind up, see my reality, comfort me, and most importantly, give me the magic of laughter. I love you all, and it's a love that's embedded and sprouts from my innermost thoughts and my innermost feelings, of all that I've experienced and ever will experience. I smile for the she who listens to me, Deyvi. It's beyond anything with you. The friend whom all the deprived live without is Ian. A friendship ignornat of boundaries and free of charge is what we got! DB, JC, ZS, who spark within me a new light. I thank you, God. "Neither a lofty degree of intelligence nor imagination nor both together go to the making of genius. Love, love, love, love, love--that is the soul of genius." Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart



QUIERA EVANS

Mommy, I know we didn't see eye to eye the last couple of years, but I want to thank you for always being there whenever I needed you. When times got hard and others put me down, you were the one who stood up for me even if I was wrong. I guess I'm sayng thank you for everythng you've done. Daddy, thanx for being the coolest father any teenager could have. Deborah, thanx for not just being an aunt, but a friend that I could talk to about anything. To my right and left hand men, Steph and Lionel--who would've thought we'd make it???We proved everyone wrong. ClaRoper, Cristina, Homo (one day you'll like boys), Julius (I'm still taller), Kiiana (Lakers suck), Nessa, Ray (pretty boy), and last, but not least, my white friend Vera, thanx for making my high school years fun.



THALITA FERNANDES

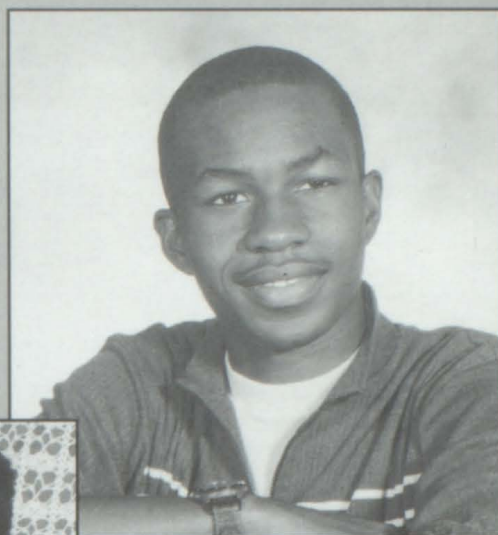
Congratulations to the Class of 2003! We finally made it! I want to thank God for helping me along the way, my family who always gave me the full support I needed, my friends who made my years at Science High worth it, my sweetheart for always being there for me, and all my teachers who believed in me. Mrs. Capriglione! Where would I be without your help? Thank you so much. Your advice is indispensible. Good luck to everyone in the future and in college. Believe in yourself, and everyihing will fall into place.

Remember me always .--Thalita



EWART FIELD

Hey, Science High, this is your boy Ewart Field here. I'm leaving, so guess it's safe to express myself, and say things that I haven't said in a while. First, I'd like to say a big Thank You for accepting a nice, handsome young man, such as myself, to enter and to experience SHS of Newark. I am a poor young boy who was just looking for a good education and I found myself in what is supposed to be one of the best schools (It really is!). Also, to all my friends, although most of them act really dumb, they will always be true friends in my book. THE TEACHERS of SHS, to whom I owe all my education--they are my Heroes and Sheroes for life. Oh, not forgetting Mr. Willis and Mrs. Taylor, and the rest of the staff, and Mrs. P. whom I see every day in her library. That's all I have to say 'bout that. P.S. Until we meet again. E-MAN



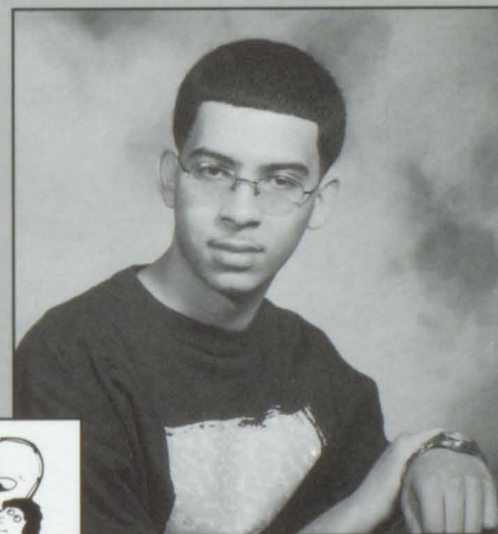
DAVID FIGUEIREDO

Over the last four years I have met some of the greatest people in my life. I have made friends that I will always treasure and I'll never take that friendship for granted. Even though school has been tough, we have made it through and made it to this last year. I am glad we've gotten this far and hope we will go farther still. Science High has made me who I am and helped shape who I will be. For this, I thank my teachers and most of all my friends; without all of you I would be nothing. I hope you all go on to achieve what you want from life and take it for all it's worth. ~Class of 2003~



DAVID GAETAN

I can't believe it's been 4 years! Feels like we were just walking into school as freshmen on 9/9/99, and here we are the graduating class of 2003. As for memorable moments, I don't have any specific one; it has all been great. As friends go, I have made some of the best I have. Andrea V., I love you. What would I do without you? You have been there for me for anything and everything. Cristina J.--What can I say? We've been through alot, but always remember sophomore year. TeeTe--biology would've been completely different if we hadn't been in the same class. To the rest of you--Tena, Aidah, Vanessa, Crystal, Iris, Kahfayat, Elisa, Vania, Cindy, and anyone else I may have forgotten, I'll miss all of you. "Half our life is spent trying to find something to do with the time we have rushed through life trying to save." ~Will Rogers, American humorist & Social critic





ROGER GODINHO

Hey, what can I say? Our time as One is over. I would like to give thanks to all the people who were there for me, and I wish nothing but the best for everybody. God Bless ya. Remember this: I'm abouts to rip it and show you who the illest MC!"



FERNANDO GOMES

Too many people have told me that high school was one of the best years of their life. Only now do I realize that this may very well be true. I have met some of the greatest friends and teachers here at Science High--students and teachers whom I will never forget. Each one of these people has uniquely helped me in some way through hardships or has been there with me through the best times of my life. I will never forget the dumb things we all have done and making fun of each other about it. High school has been the gap between childhood and adulthood and perhaps the last years that we can act like kids again. I would like to thank each and every one of my fellow graduates and wish all of them good luck.



MELINDA GONZALEZ

First, I want to thank the Lord and Lady for giving me strength. I extend my heart and soul to Erika and Victor for bringing light into the darkest shadows of my essence and teaching me life's secrets. Thank you, Edward, Marium, Woodly, AJ, Melvin, Marco, JC, Stefy B., Stephy C., Susie, Diane, Thalita, Thiago, the AP crew and others. Mr. O'Neal, I thank you a million times over for believing in me and giving me the inspiration and knowledge to love history and make it my passion. J-Flo, Ferli, and Mrs. Jackson, thank you for inspiring me and reassuring me that women are strong, intelligent, and beautiful. I want to thank my mother for teaching me life's lessons. Manny, thank you for giving me the desire to be the best. Michie, I love you. Our journey has just begun, and I shall hold all of you dear 'till the ends of my time. Take care. Never forget where you came from or where you are going. In Love Eternal, Melly



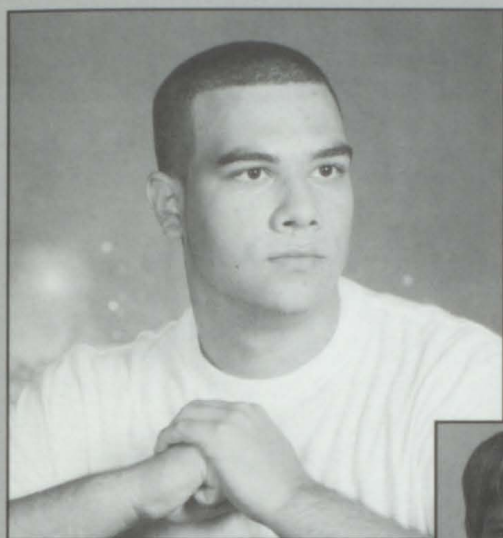
TIFFANY HARP

Mom, you have loved me unconditionally through everything. You have been my inspiration, my strength and the backbone of our family. You have always kept me on the right track and made sure that I was taken care of. You always showed that your children were number one in your life and nothing will ever take that way. When my father died, you took on the responsibility of being both a mother and a father. You have taught me the true meaning of life, and I am so grateful for your being here today. Mom, I know I don't say it enough, but I love you now and always unconditionally. Without you I don't know what I would do. You truly mean the world to me. No amount of words could express my love for you.



PEDRO J. HERRERA, JR.

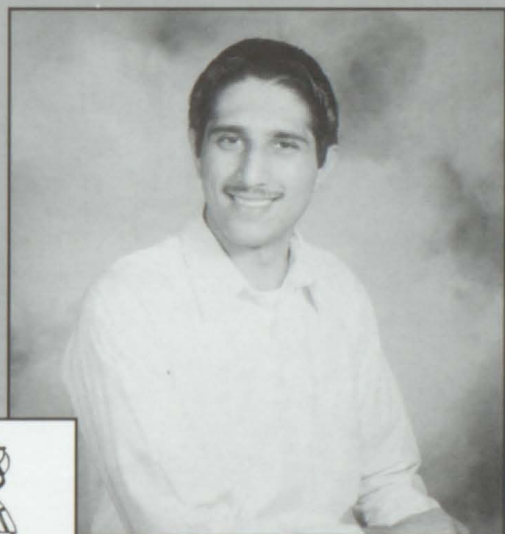
These high school years had many ups and downs. What got me through it was my family and close friends. I'll like to thank my mom and sister for keeping me focused on school. My great friends: Pam, Kandi, Larry, Randy, Stan, Isis, and all my other friends, ya know who you are, for making school fun and enjoyable each day; and New Jersey Transit for making me only partially late to school every day.



ASADULLAH JAMALI

First, I'd like to start off with shout outs to Steven Stover (my shadow), Alex, Stanley, Nate, and Amaour. (the greatest spades player in the school). Thanks, Mike, Erika, Lisa, Marium, Figg, Mishal, Ana, The Lafayette Street School gang and everyone else I'm currently forgetting; all of you were always there. I thank all the teachers I had for giving me the great education. I also thank everyone that knows me for putting up with me for so long; it must've been really hard.

Quotes to remember: "We are all born mad. Some remain so." *Samuel Beckett* " 'Know thyself'? If I knew myself I'd run away." *Johann Wolfgang von Goethe* "The trouble with the world is that the stupid are cocksure and the intelligent are full of doubt." *Bertand Russell*





RAYNARD JOE

"Life is a series of experiences, each one of which makes us bigger, even though it is hard to realize this. For the world was built to develop character, and we must learn that the setbacks and grieves which we endure help us in our marching onward." --Henry Ford, American Automobile Pioneer



CRISTINA JOHNSON

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Phillippians 4:13 To My Parents: You've constantly been there for me since the beginning while I've gone through many different stages, searching for the right life for me. You were always ready to help me. I can only show you my appreciation for your support and values that you tried to teach me. Your years of hard work, dedication and caring attitude has been significantly appreciated. Because of you, your little girl is Graduating. **To My Friends:** Andrea V., Anglea, Chris P., Diana, David G., Dominique, Quiera, Iris, Marquis, Travis, Crystal, Kiiana, Lanessa, Sateedrah, Steph, Claroper, Ray, Julius, Mike, Vera, Pam, Mary, Lionel, Raquel, Rhea, Ziggy, Khafayat, JC., Isis... "Many of life's failures are people who didn't realize how close they were to success when they gave up..." Thomas Edison ... and they said we wouldn't make it...



JHENI KAIFA

"I have no words that can be considered even slightly poetic; I don't feel like preaching anything close to prophetic. So I can leave you with my hopes, my loves, my memories. Remember when...it doesn't matter, all I ask is that you remember me." Iris

Much love and respect to my friends even though most of yall got kicked out: Wave, Naadiya, Isis, Kiiana, JC, Cristina, Tena, Diana, Crystal, Mo, John. Thanks to mommy, grammy and daddy, even though yall can be a pain in my (_), I still love you. Shout to my bro-ham, and my best friend Lil' Reverend Jennifer. Kelly-Gurl I love GAMF all you crack heads better stay out of trouble.

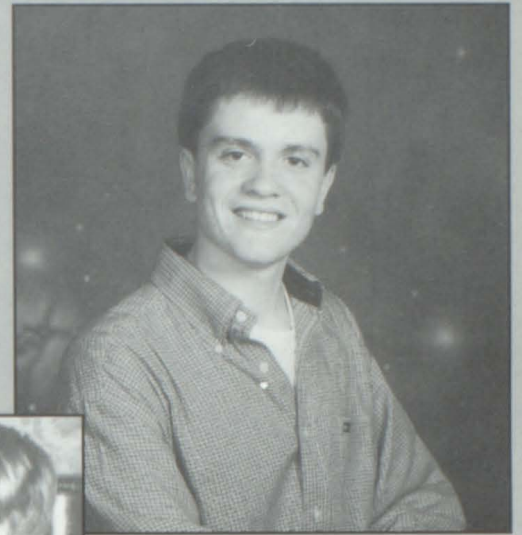


ALEKSANDR KALIKA

It is no mystery that I will make history.
I have a few words of advice:

Do not cause any vice nor become my tax burden...
Always stay to the right!
I hope none of you will end up roaming the streets at night.
I always say everything will be fine,

Watch me be right for the millionth time!
I have no idea why I chose to rhyme,
Probably so that this blurb stays in your mind.



LIONEL KING

Good Jesus! I finally made it out of here. I want to thank my mom & Quiera (my favorite homie) for driving me to do work & achieve. Julius, you've been the realest homie I had in the last 4 years; I hope you have a good life. thanks, Mrs. Capriglione & Mrs. White for hearing out my long, complex trials & tribulations. You two truly understand who & what Lionel King is all about. Steph, you was a funny character; I know we wasn't the best of friends, but you was a trip. Cristina, you've been in the same school as me for 7 years--just get away from me already--sike--have success in life. LaNessaa & Clarissa, I know we just got cool this last year, but you two really became a major part of the click. I can't forget my favorite CWA member, Ziggy---do your thing, homie.
Good Luck c/o 2003 !

MARY KUSEN

I have many good memories of my three years at Science High School. They are mostly of all the different types of people I met and became friends with. Friends last a lifetime and here at Science I have met two or three friends that are a big part of my life. I was also exposed to lots of different experiences and can just have fun sitting at the lunch table cracking jokes with my friends. I've met teachers who are great and open your mind to new things and others who really aren't that great at all. Still, good and bad memories will last forever, and when I'm gone, I know I'll miss this.



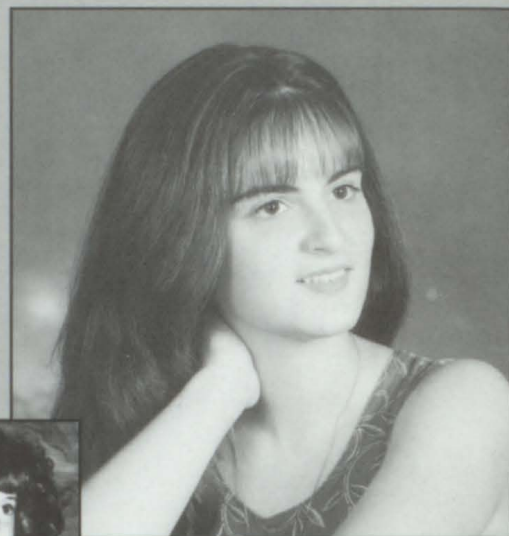


DALIA LEMUS

My Dear Classmates of the class of 2003. (The best class by the way!!!!) I want to express how fortunate I feel to have shared the last two years of high school with all of you in SHS! It was very hard for me to get used to a country where everything is so different, and being a foreign student was the greatest challenge I've had to face. However, out of the three high schools I've been in, in no other school have I felt so comfortable, so loved, and so accepted as I did in Science High. I will always remember every single thing that we shared, the trips, the classes, the talent show, pep rally, and all the crazy people in the school!!!! I want to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Taylor for accepting me in this school under the situation where my language was my obstacle, and Mrs. Capriglione for always trusting in me and supporting me! THANK YOU!!! Good luck and God bless you!!!!

JULIYA LITICHEVSKAYA

"Nostalgia is like a grammar lesson: You find the present tense and the past perfect." And, just like grammar rules are important to master, but are useless without application, memories of the by-gone days are worthless without their subtle advice for the future. I hope to look back at the simple incidents of my day-to-day experiences at SHS, whether glum or glowing, black or white, wrong or right, and try to hold fast to the vital lessons learned within the confining, crumbling walls in which I spent most of these past four years. This is not referring to the textbook work, which will sooner than we expect turn out to be more relevant than it at times seemed; it is to speak of the life lessons that everyone at SHS has taught me--my few close friends, many acquaintances, teachers, and people with whom I could rarely see eye-to-eye. Thank you for the love and for the challenge: I relish every moment of it.



NATASHA LOPES

It could've been the best four years or the worst four years, but it has prepared us for the future. In our school we all know each other, maybe not by name, but by face, or even through someone else. There are many friends and memories that have been made in this school; how can I explain them all--from the crowded locker rooms and hallways, spirit days, pep-rallies, school dances, class trips, and our classes, the ones we enjoyed and the ones we dreaded--also, going out with friends on the weekends, the jokes we played on each other, the conversations we had, and many other memories that I have not mentioned, but are still in my heart. We had happy times, and even some sad times, but with great friends and teachers by our sides, we each got through the four years of high school at Science High.



ALEJANDRA MARQUES

First off, I'd like to thank God for giving me the strength and health to go on. I want to thank my mami, papi & brother. Alex, believe it or not, your beat-downs made me who I am and who I will continue to be.=)~ Mami y papi, los amo MUCHO. Gracias por quererme y por estar ahi siempre empujandome. Y abuelita nunca te olvido; eres mi #1, Te Amo. FINALLY!!!! I'm outta this s*** hole! Woo-Hoo!!=)~ HeHe! Even though I've had my s*** years, I'll never forget the great laughs and memories. Thanks to my TRUE friends who were there for me. Of course I can't end without telling my Boobie how much I love him. Felipe, thank you corazon; 3 years being best friends and 2 years (so far) in love will always remain in my heart. Aaawww! HaHa!~=)~ Bye to all of you and good luck! I'M OUT!!!!



VANIA MARQUES

It's been a great time being with all of you! Throughout our fights and mood swings, we have all managed to survive and bond together, some a little, some alot. It's been great for me to be with all of my friends, especially Allie and Nesa. Thanks for being there for me when I needed it. Allie, words can't express the night of Oct. 19, 2002!! Remember?! :) Crystal, you have been there from the start; thanks, girl! Flo, although we are not that close, you have been there from the first day I stepped foot in this country. Blondy--I LOVE YOU!! You're great to joke around with. Rodrigo, Julie, Felipe and everyone else, Thank you! Stephanie "Heffer", the best words are "Thank You!" I know I can always run to you for everything.



BRYANT MARROQUIN

I will always remember the good times at Science High and the great teachers I have had over the years. Most of all I will remember my friends and the good times we had. I hope we all find what we want in life.





ELISA MARTINEZ

It has been four long years, and I have finally made it---It's about time! Thank you to everyone who has ever helped me through these hard years, especially my Father, God--I love You.



RAQUEL MATOS

To the Class of 2003---yeah, man! We made it. Thanks to everyone who motivated me to show up at "skewl". Mr. Austin and Mr. Girona...revenge is a pain in the neck; you should be happy I'm not a revenge kind of person. Shout-outs to all my friends; they said keep it short. I still keep you in my thoughts. Shoutouts to my family and my outside of "skewl" friends... You guys are important to me, too--in particular, Felipe, whom I haven't treated the way he deserves to be treated. Special shout-out to my 'mana, Florencia. I love you, no matter what; you know I'm always here for you. Words to live by: "Make it a rule of life never to regret and never to look back. Regret is an appalling waste of energy; you can't build on it; it's only for wallowing in." ---Mansfield. WE OUT!



FELICIA MAXWELL

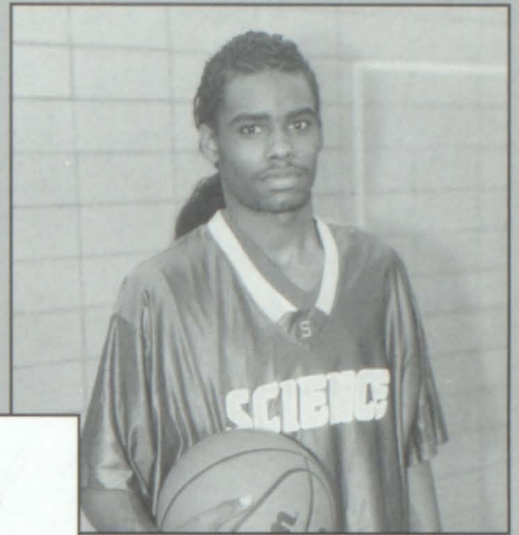
I have been truly blessed to have been able to spend the most memorable years of my life in such a close-knit environment, around such outstanding people. I don't look back upon the past; instead, I look forward to the future and what it has to offer.

"Life is a piano...what you get out of it, depends on how you play it." *Carpe Diem!!!!!!!!!!!!*



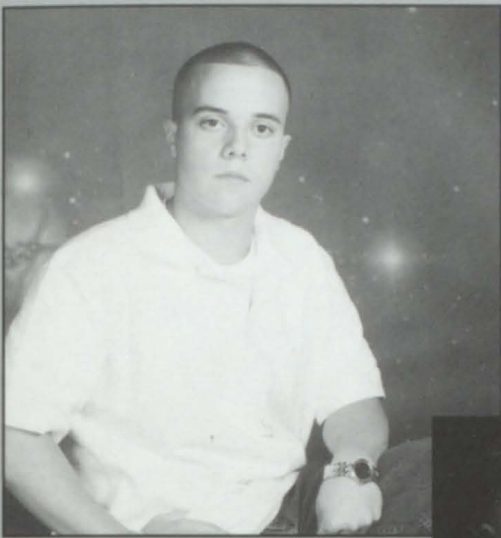
RANDY MITCHELL II

I was the type that didn't care if nobody liked me//
But, people **liked** that;
they said they never seen nobody like me.



STEVEN MOINHOS

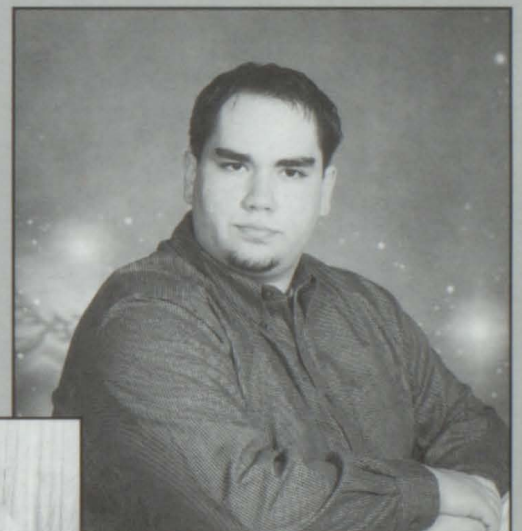
Hey, everyone, I guess we are finally getting out of this place. Huh? We've been waiting for this day for four years. These four years have been definitely unforgettable. We've had a lot of crazy, but very fun times together. Hopefully, there will be more of those times in the future. If there aren't and we don't keep in touch I just want to let you guys know that I care about you and wish you all good luck in whatever you decide to do with your lives. Aight; well, I guess that's all I got to say. Later.

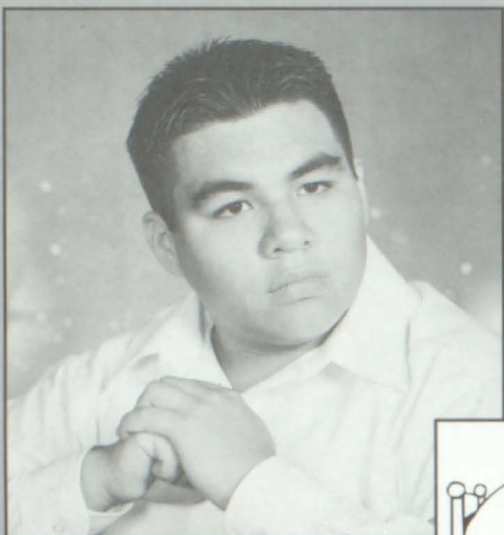


CHARLES MONDALTO

First, I want to thank God for helping me with life- -in and out of school. Secondly, I want to give love to my whole family, especially Mom, Dad, Ruth, Joy and HH & P. To my classmates, I wish nothing but the best for you as we continue our journey.

Peace Out,
Charles





VICTOR MONTERROSA

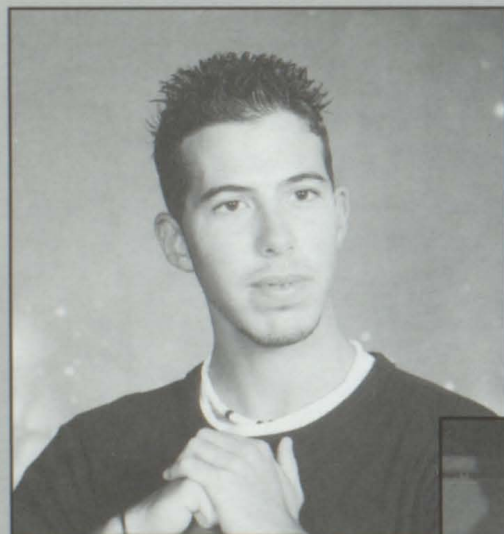
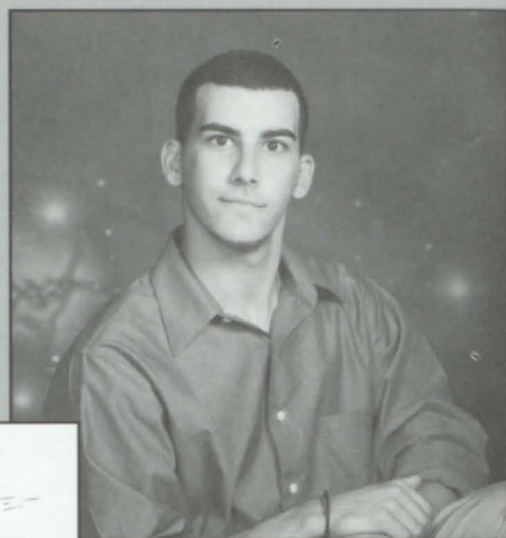
Why does it seem that every time I take a step further / I only want to take a step back? / Why is it that I keep myself inside a blanket of warmth, / not wanting to go out into the cold earth? / Why is it that leaving high school, a little hole dug by my burrowing seems impossible? / I will genuinely miss it, / I will miss the long days and the short days. / The warm smiles and happy faces / The strife many of us encountered in our lives

When I think about leaving Science High, I think I am leaving you / Everthing we had, / Everything we didn't have / Whether you were my friend or foe / Acquaintance or close friend, / you were something to me. / Leaving Science is leaving you behind, / leaving my memories, / leaving my dreams and my young shell that I have grown out of / Miss You, Miss Me.



MICHAEL MOURA

I had fun these past four years, and I'm going to miss all the people who made my graduation a possibility. To all my friends, keep in touch, and if you ever blow up, don't forget about the little people, because I won't forget about you.



FRANK MUNIZ

I look back at these 4 years of high school and I can't imagine changing anything. All the people I've met have been incredible friends. I want to thank Thiago because he's one of the people that have helped me out alot. Now I truly see him as my son! He's hung around for so long that I consider him family. I also want to give a shout-out to all my boys from the senior class like Drigo, Mike, Dave, Ziggy, etc. You all have been cool to hang out with. Anyway, I want to thank my teachers, especially the best import teacher ever--Mrs. Bajaj. She's been truly wonderful with me, and I'm glad that I was one of her students. Mrs. Pontoriero, who has been a good friend of the family--a great teacher. These people all changed my life in a big way, so I hope that they all stay the same and live life to the fullest, because that's what I'M going to do.



DENNISSE NAVAS

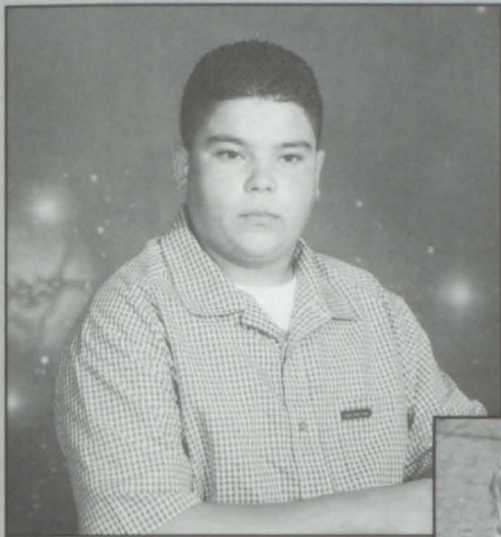
So, it all comes down to expressing four years of my life in a 150-word-limit paragraph. It's not an easy task, but I'll try to convey some of the feelings that have impacted these latter years of my life. SHS was a blessing to me. Though this sounds preachy, I know that having attended this rigorous school has brought out the best of my intellect. There've been moments of frustration, anxiety, and even tears, yet most of them were drowned in 42 minutes of hilarity, jokes and laughter, all shared with the best of my friends in the cafeteria. There's no need to mention any names, for my sincere friends know who they are, and I thank God and them for helping me survive this part of my life. I will never forget any of you, and I wish you all the success that I want for myself.



SERGIO NOBRE

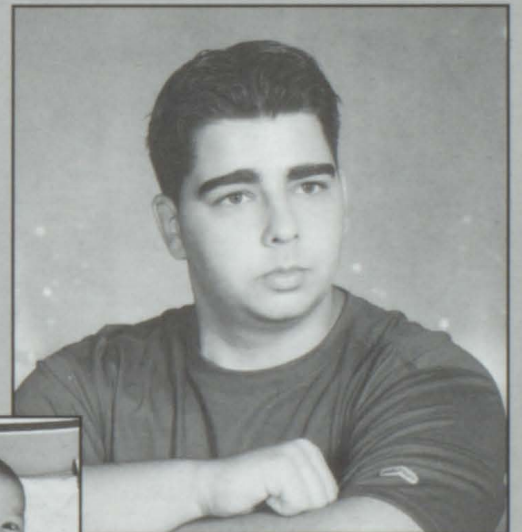
"We must believe in ourselves or no one else will believe in us; we must match our aspirations with the competence, courage and determinatin to succeed."

--Rosalyn Sussman Yalow, US medical physicist



CARLOS NUNES

These four years have been a wonderful time, and I'll never forget the people who made them fun for me. I'd like to thank the teachers who were there for me when I needed them. I almost forgot--I'd really like to thank The Godfather for making these past years so exciting and for always making me laugh. A special thanks goes out to the BEST guidance counselor in the world, Mrs. Capriglione. Thank you for putting up with me. To Susie and Diane--I'll never forget the fun times we shared together.





KHAFAYAT ODUNFA

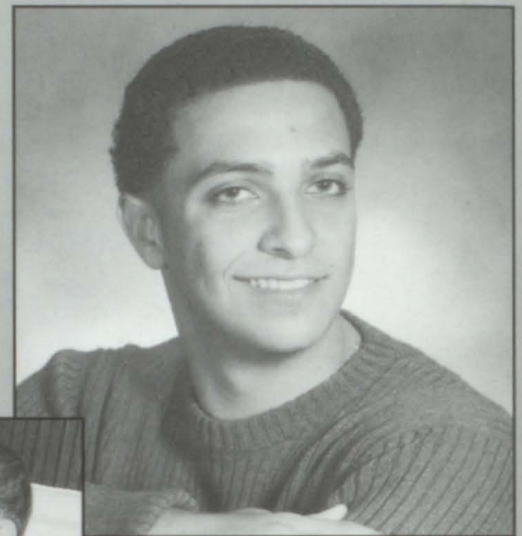
"Don't be discouraged by a failure. It can be a positive experience. Failure is, in a sense, the highway to success, inasmuch as every discovery of what is false leads us to seek earnestly after what is true, and every fresh experience points out some form of error which we shall afterwards carefully avoid."

John Keats, English Poet



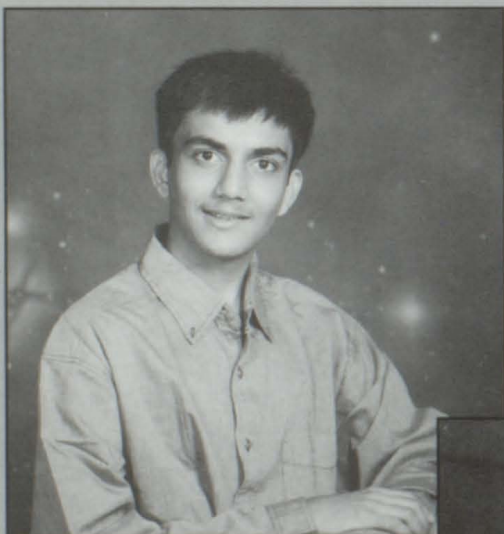
CHRISTOPHER PALIZ

A big shout out goes to the whole class of 2003. May everything you do from here on be successful. I wish you all the best. I'd like to first thank my parents and family who encouraged me to strive for the best. I'm finally going to make it! To all those teachers who helped, you get a thanks, too. A little something for the security guards handling the chill spot. All the people that I met during these 4 years-- thanks for making it interesting. Please remember me for who I am, NOT THE ONE WHO GOT SET ON FIRE! (Thanks, Roger) Highly Exclusive.



MISHAL PATEL

These four years spent at Science High School have shown me what makes it the best school in Newark--it's the wonderful teachers and students. I am going to miss all my teachers and my friends. Well, some of them, anyway. I hope to see you all again.



FLORENCIA PEREIRA

I'm glad that I'm finally graduating and getting out of this school. I've had some good memories (barely any), but in terms of bad ones---WOW! I've lost count! I thank everyone who's helped me throughout these four years, especially my mom, my dad, my two brothers, my close friends, and even Marco who many times has put a smile on my face. Thanks. Love you!



CHRISTINA PEREZ

Wow, it's finally here--Senior Year! After four years of heart-breaks, worries and struggles, we are leaving this "falling apart" school of ours forever.

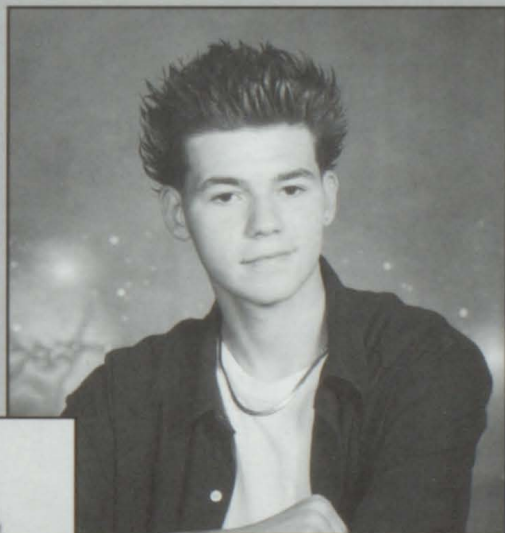
Shoutz out to Tasha, Nesa, Kiiana, Angie, Denni, Maria, Kiko, Steph and to everyone in the 2003 graduating class of Science High. Good luck in life; may your dreams come true. I'll see you at our 10-year reunion. Don't Forget Me!!

Also, shoutz out to someone (you know who you are)-- I'm sorry for everything that happened in 9th grade. Remember, we were best friends once, and if you are ever depressed and have no one to go to, you can count on this old friend.



JOSEPH PINHO

Midway through sophomore year, I recall reaching a breaking point. Things in my life seemed to just fall apart, both in school and in my personal life. For the first time in my life I asked why? Why do I go to school only to be tossed and turned in so many directions? Now it's clear; high school has been a great learning experience. I've met some of the best individuals ever imagineable and formed relationships that will, hopefully, last a lifetime. It is from these people that I learned many of the life lessons that have shaped me into the well-rounded person I am today. It is to all of you, the people who stuck by my side when I was right and stuck it to me when I was wrong, that has made high school at Science High a life-changing experience.





JANELL POINDEXTER

To be honest, I don't really know what one writes in a yearbook. I'm finally leaving and moving into the real world. I'm going to be forgotten, as everyone is. I don't take it as a sad thing, but rather as a going away party.



MARIANA RIVADENEIRA

I don't know what to say, besides "THANK YOU" to my best friend Elisa, who is also my daughter's godmother. If it weren't for you, I know I couldn't have gotten to where I am now. You've given me so much support through everything, and I'll ALWAYS remember that. don't forget that I LOVE YOU, and even if you go to college far way, I'll always remember you. Someone else who is special to me is Andrea. I don't have to say how good of a friend you've been to me because you already know. Thanks for being there when I needed you. Crystal, you have been so supportive, even when I do stupid things. Thanks for dealing with me instead of walking away and for making summer of our freshman year the best summer. You three girls are very special to me, and I want you toknow that I love you, and I couldn't ask for better friends. I wish all three of you Good luck in college and in life.



MELVIN RIVERA

It's been fun, guys...but I'm glad to finally get the hell out! Some guy said this quote...I think it's true--maybe you will too--

"Never settle for less when better is possible."



TENA RIVERA

What's Good, Class of 2003?!?! I'd like to thank God first off because without Him, I really wouldn't have been successful. You know, it's funny how time flies when you're having fun, and that's what these last 4 years have been. I'd like to thank all of you for allowing me to experience that. More importantly, I'd like to thank my mom, "Without you, I don't know where I'd be right now; I love you." To my best friend Aidah, "we've been through so much together and through it all, we've only gotten closer; I love you, too." ATL, baby. "Blood isn't always thicker than water." That said, I'd like to thank my Brother Marquis and my Sister Crystal for the times that we shared in school, and out. (Including the rain) lol. To my peoples, Lanessa, Randy, Kiiana, Iris, RAY, Shaakira, Isabel, Edgar, Andrea, Stanley, Felicia, and Felipe, I love you all and will never forget you. TiNy...



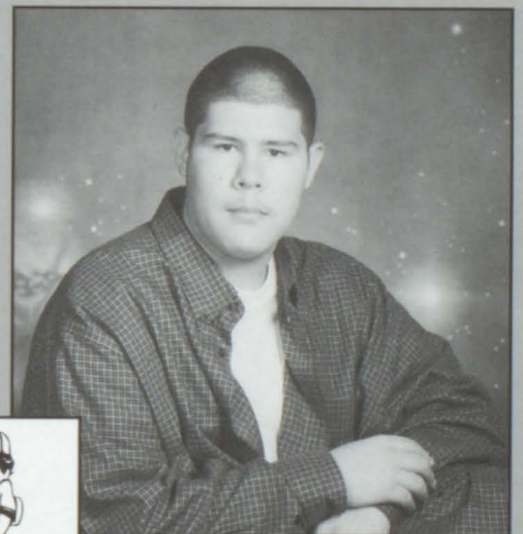
CRYSTAL ROBINSON

This day seemed so far ahead of me, that I didn't realize how close it really was. Thanks to my family for pushing me to do well. Teachers and Coaches--Thanks for doing such a good job! LOL To my friends--Thanks for being the best friends anyone can have, for sticking up for me, and for being there whenever I needed you. Shouts to Elisa, Tena, Quis, Allie, Nesa, Pooh-da, Mariana, Shaakira, Felipe, Jheni, Quiera, Cristina, Diana, Kiiana, Edgar, Carlos, April, Brenda, Mike S., Chris, Ziggy, Joey, Dave and the rest of the Class of 2003! Good Luck in the Future and Congrats! I Love You All!



JAIME RODRIGUEZ

I'd like to start out by saying that even though Science High was tough, I still enjoyed the time I had here. Although I wasn't here for all four years, I felt it was a big part of me. I'd like to thank the teachers I've had, even those that were tough on me; they really helped me stay focused. I'd like to thank my parents who supported me in good and bad times, and for always trying to help me in any way they can. I'd also like to say thanks to my friends I've made at Science, especially Edgar, Marquis and Shaakira, who were like family to me. They made me have a good time here and always helped me in every type of situation and gave me a reason for coming to school every day. I'd like to say goodbye to the entire class of 2003, since I know I might not see some of you again. Whether you knew me or not, I'd like to wish everyone good luck in whatever you do. Peace!!!





CLARISSA ROPER

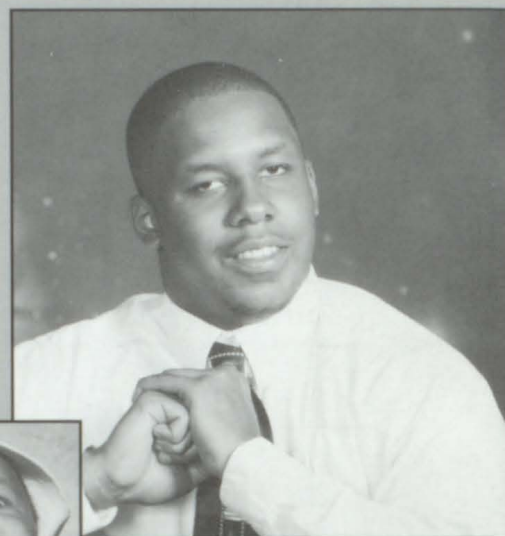
"It is a peculiar sensation, this double consciousness, this sense of always looking at one's self through the eyes of others, of measuring one's soul by the type of a world that looks upon in amused contempt and pity." W. E. B. Dubois This quote means that it is strange how we, as humans, see ourselves as others do. The problem is, we try to make our lives better so that we may look good to a world that is just going to criticize us anyway.

Among those I'd like to thank are (they aren't in any order of importance, so don't get mad) Khafayat, JC, Felicia, Quiera, LaNessa, Isis and Cristina. Of course, I must remember all the dudes that were like brothers to me: Stanley, Ray, Lionel, Steph, Julius, and Sateedrah (Sorry, I couldn't help myself). I only got but so much space, so everybody I forgot, my B, but you'll live, so get over it.



TERRELL RUFF

My years at Science High School have been magnificent. The teachers here have done an amazing job of preparing me for a life after high school. In and out of the classroom, I have learned alot from them because they are amazing role models. I am thankful for the friends I have made at Science High School because they have helped me through the hard times in school. Science High has been challenging and thorough, and the friendships were appreciated during those stressful times of trying to get through. I'm glad I have attended this school, though, since it has been recognized as one of the best high schools in the state of New Jersey. I do not feel that I would have gotten a better education anywhere else



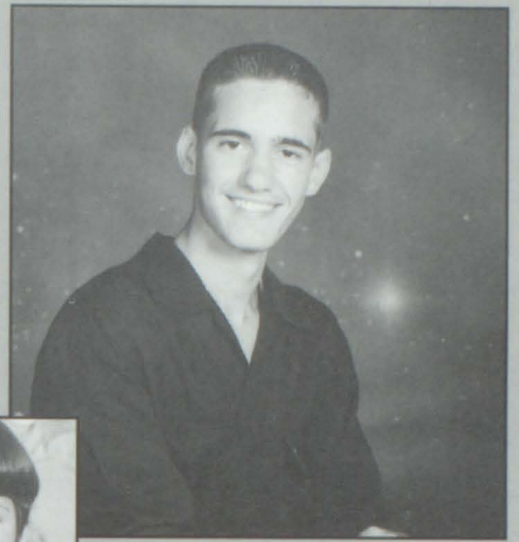
DOMINIQUE SANTIAGO

"The expectations of life depend upon diligence; the mechanic that would perfect his work must first sharpen his tools."
----Confusius, Chinese philosopherrite



RODRIGO SANTOS

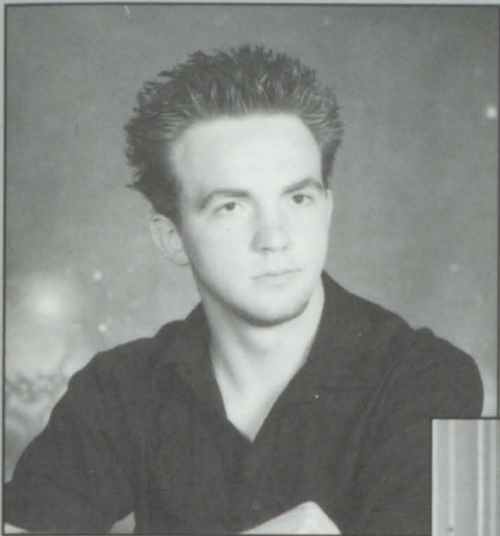
High School is a once-in-a-lifetime thing, and I've sure made the best of it. Mentally, I wasn't there as often as I should, but there's nothing I could do about the past, so I might as well get over it. I have no regrets, however, about these four glamorous years because the sacrifice was worthwhile. I want to thank my parents and all of my friends from Science who have made a difference in my life. At first, I thought that coming to Science High was one of the biggest mistakes I made in my life up to that point, but today, as I look back and remember all the great moments I shared with you guys, I am grateful to graduate among you all. Good luck to everyone in the future and may all of your dreams come true.



ZBIGNIEW SIKORA

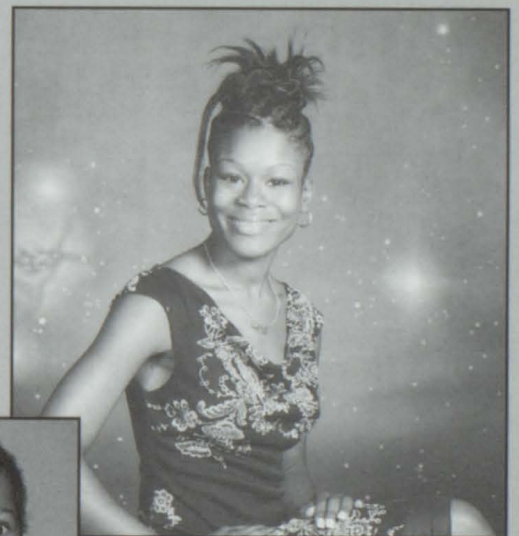
First, I'd like to thank GOD for getting me through these four years at Science High. I'd like to thank my family for all their support and for putting up with all my s**t. I love you. To the two best friends a guy can ever have, Dave and T--not only these four years, but always-- life would not be the same without you guys. I want to thank all my other friends for all the fun we've had. I won't forget anyone. To anyone who reads this-- Don't let stupid things bring you down. Life is way too short to be down all the time, so keep your head up. To the class of 2003, "It's our time to shine through the dawn, glorified by what is ours."

Ziggy



AIDAH SINGLETON

I've finally ended chapter one of my life. Though I don't see myself as being holy or Godly, I feel I need to honor my heavenly Father for His tremendous role thus far. I'd like to give thanks to my mother and best friend...Mommy, you're my backbone- what makes me whole, my strength, courage, and my wisdom; had it not been for you, I don't know where I'd be. You've helped me shuffle along my path to success & seek a vision to my future. I thank you for that. To my best friend Tena...ATL...I give you mad props because we've had many obstacles thrown our way to try and weaken our relationship, but we're still hanging strong...Ms. Denise and Mr. Willis- my in school parents..thanks for taking care of me...I'd like to give thanks to the members of our track team; you guys have really shown me the true meaning of sportsmanship & what it is to be a team...Oba...I'll always love and give thanks to you. And Rich...Thank You, Too...





ANDREIA SOARES

You only have one life; live for today and enjoy. Be the person you truly are; don't take people you care about for granted; never let people take you for granted; always remember the people who meant alot to you at some point in your life & always have fun. The most important thing in life is happiness because without it, everything else becomes insignificant. So, do what makes you happy because that's the only way you'll know you made the right decisions. Accept no one's definition of your life; define it yourself. To everyone I graduated with in 2003, I wish you the best in whatever you do. I will always remember you and all the crazy memories. To my mom, dad, Bruno, Lily and my good friends, you mean alot to me. I love you all so much. Love always, Dreia



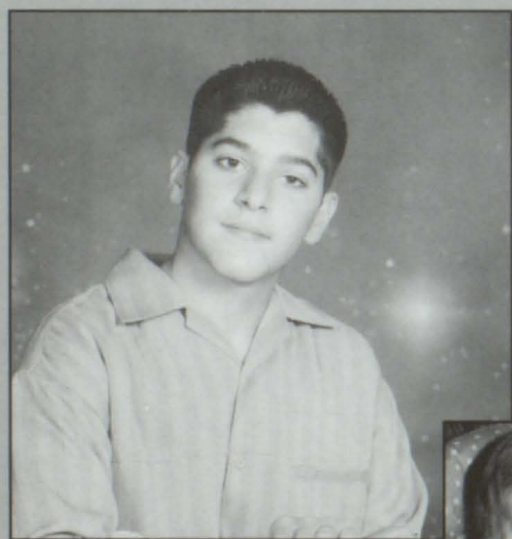
VANESSA SOARES

I'd like to thank God for the life that He has given me; my parents for their love & support, my sister for her guidance and for being a great role-model. Allie, thanks for always being there for me. There aren't words to sum up the great person you are. I love you for that & always will. You believed in me & that means alot. You're like a sister to me. Vania, thanks for driving me away from reality for a while. You are a very caring person. I will always remember you for that. Crystal, for all the times you made me laugh when I thought I couldn't, for reminding me to always smile--Thanx. Thanx to all my friends for the memories they've given me. Whether inside school or out, you've made me who I am today. Bye & Thanx.



MICHAEL SPADAVECCHIA

It's hard to believe that this experience is over already. I remember my first day at Science High like it was yesterday, not knowing what was ahead of me. Now that my high school experience is over, I realize that I have gained so much, whether it was in my education or as a person in general. I met so many new and different people who have taught me something one way or another, whether it was a fellow student or a faculty member. I would just like to thank everyone who stood by my side throughout my four years here at Science High. Although I am graduating, I am not leaving empty handed; I have friends and memories that will last a lifetime.

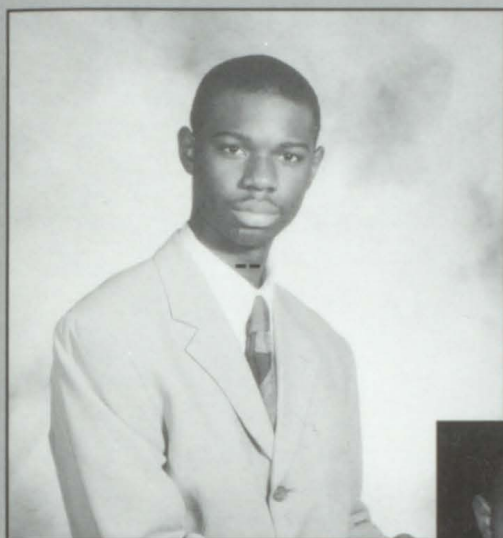


SHAAKIRA STEVENS

First and foremost, I want to thank God for helping me through this long and hard journey. I want to thank my brothers, sister and aunt for always being in my corner. I especially want to thank my mom for always being there for me. Mom, you always did everything you could to give me everything I needed and wanted. You made me feel like I could do anything at times when I was down. Though it seems like I don't appreciate what you do for me, I appreciate all you have done very much. I love you for always being there for me. I want to say Congratulations to the 2003 Senior Class. I want to give special goodbyes to Marquis, Aidah, Tena, Edgar, Jamie and even you Crystat (LOL). Even though this is the end of one journey, it's still yet the beginning of another.

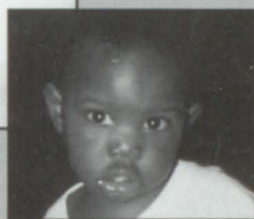


STEVEN STOVER



"You are never given a wish without also being given the power to make it come true. You may have to work for it, however."

--Richard Bach, American Author



ISIS SYKES

Guys, we finally made it! Isn't it amazing how this school always kept us on our toes? I stayed up late doing work, and came to school early just to finish. It's enough to drive you crazy, but I didn't mind because Science is my second home, and you guys are my family. It's so much easier to achieve in a place where the environment is right. Whether it was listening to some R&B music early in the morning, walking around the gym gossiping or laughing about biology class all day, I loved almost every second. I'm thankful that I was always surrounded by kind faces, helpful teachers and loving peers. I'll miss every last one of you guys. I hope you all have the best of luck in your future, no matter what you are going to pursue.





MARIUM TAREEN

These years at SHS have been composed of days that will leave a lasting mark in my heart and soul. It is here I discovered my character, personality and love for the diversity and compassion held in the interiors of the human race. I thank Allah Almighty for giving me the strength to hold on when all I could do was pray for better days. Indeed this shout is useless if I don't thank the ones that have been here for me in physical form: my Mom and Pop, Pure Pakistani Parents who never let me lose my culture and taught me of death before dishonor; my luv, Lisa, whom I love as my own kin; Woodly, my brother and guardian; my lost half, Erika, co-author of my book, "A\$\$: Story of My Life" and the beautiful eyes of Khafayat that never left my side. Much Love to the Class of 2003, and may all of the success in the futre be in your destiny
Ya Allah Shakur



NATHANIEL TAYLOR

"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when thy gave up."

--Thomas A. Edison, American Inventor



SANDRA TETTEH

I don't really know what to say. It's been a really fun and exciting ride, and I am sad to see it end. I'm not going to miss the school itself, but the people that helped make it a worthwhile place to be. You know who you are, so I don't really have to say anything. All I have left to say is goodbye and good luck. Maybe, I will even see some of you in the future.

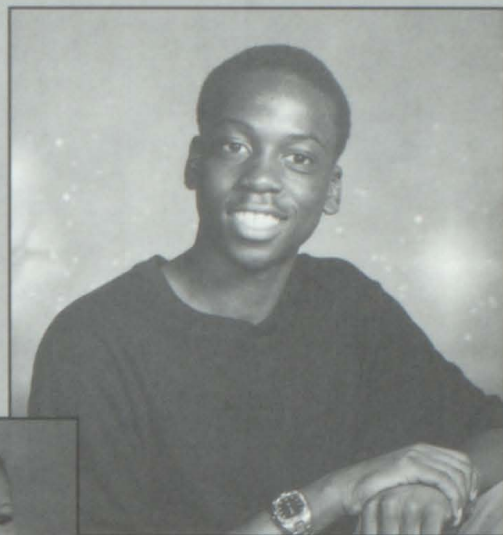
P.S. Although it is true that I am, "Always late, but worth the wait!" I promise I'll never be late again!



WOODLY THELUSMA

First off, I'd like to give a special thanks to those who may not know it, but helped me change for the better into who I am today. (No special order) To Marium, Lisa, Erika, Juliya, Sandra, Kandi, Pam, Stan, Isis, Rhea, The L Mitchell, Chris P., Allie, my Peer Leaders, my Mount Verns, my TrackTeam, and all my influences, thank you. To the class of 2003, I wish you all success and hope that we each may meet again, through all the changes that we face and remain friends. A special message to the class of 2003: Through your happiness, live life to the fullest and never hold back. Through your sadness, you're never alone, for everyone cries, whether internally or physically. Through your anger, kill those you want to hurt with kindness not with war or weapons.

From King Woodly I--PEACE AND ONE LUV.



EDGAR TRINDADE

We've gone through four crazy years here in Science with all the changes we have gone through. We've met new people, experienced many new things, and made new friends. Now that we're off trying to get into whatever colleges we desire and progress in life I wish you all the best of luck. So, until we meet again, bye.



ANDREA VARGAS

I won't say I don't know what to say--even though I really don't. I will never forget these 4 years that I have been here. Elisa, I loveeee you! Thank you for everything that you and your family have done for me. I don't know what I would do without you. Mari, Nesa, Crystal--you have given me more than what I asked for. We have been through thick n thin. I couldn't ask for any other friends. I really appreciate it. David and Nesa--both of you have been there when I needed someone to talk to. Mr. Rippey, you have no idea how much I have grown mentally because of you! To everyone else--you guys know who you are--you'll have a special place in my heart. *Pura vida* to everyone. I became what I am because of all of you. :) c/o 2003 Costa Rica #1





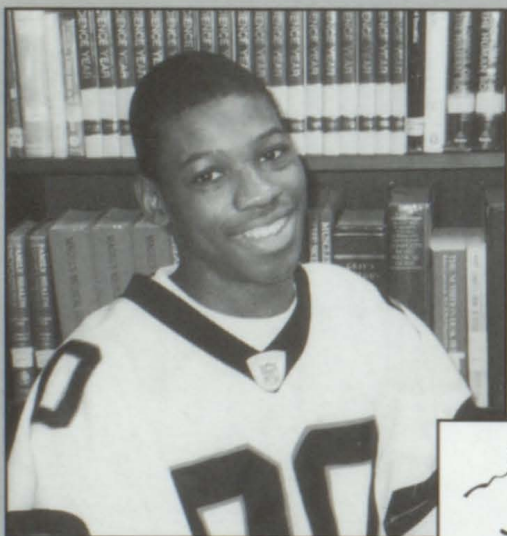
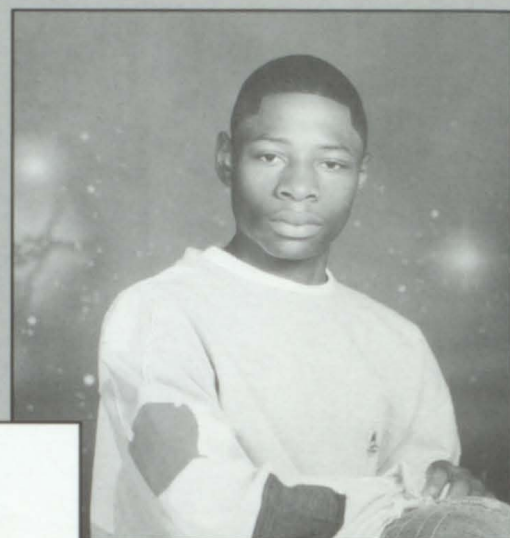
ERIKA VELA

My scabrous tranquility, / The stress that soothed versatility, / A hurtful, fulfilling comfort: / *My high school years-*
I've been blessed with the ease and solace from the souls that've come across the validity of my presence. Four years have shown me intellectual conversations, amazing friendships, breathtaking diversity, meaningful tears, and comical scenarios. My sacrifices, in this lifetime, do not exclude those whom I will depart from as to every single set of eyes that have met mine own a part of my essence; every exchanged word has left hanging in the sheath of a pure heart. And because the momentum of my wish to make something out of myself is as passionate and sincere as my empathy and open-mindedness, the miracles of faith from my youth will forever remain engraved in my spirit. In my being will rest the piece of heaven that Science High has been.



TRAVIS WILLIAMS

There's not much to say about the school itself, but the experience has been invaluable. I personally want to thank everyone who has helped make these four years bearable. I could not have done this without such great people around me. I look forward to tomorrow, but will always know and treasure what was yesterday. Don't cry because it's over; smile because it happened.



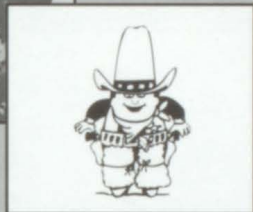
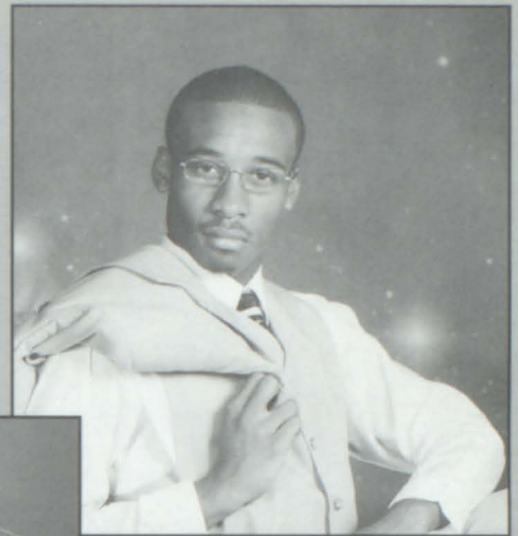
STANLEY WOGWUGWU

I can't say that it hasn't been fun, because there've been many moments that I'd love to happen again. I wasn't going to shout anybody out, but it'd be unfair to be mentioned and not mention anybody else. I'm going to holla at the basketball team. What a year we're having! Let's just hope it ends well. This is a very funny man and very fun to chill with & I wish him the best of luck. Steph probably didn't even write one of these, but who cares; you probably won't read this anyway. Good luck at the Counties. Pam and Kandi,-- you were there when I was down--sike. Thanks for being such great friends. Pedro, what can I say? (Sigh!) Good luck to Larry and his head. Trid-av, good luck in the near future. Tena, bothering me all these years, telling me I s***. Good luck--love ya. Lastly, I'm going to shout out a very funny individual, Randelicus. I know you're definitely not going to read this, but you were a great friend, and when you get accepted to Harvard (Ha!!) We will all be proud of you. Please don't feel offended if I left you out, but...that's how the cookie crumbles.



DARRYL YOUNG, JR.

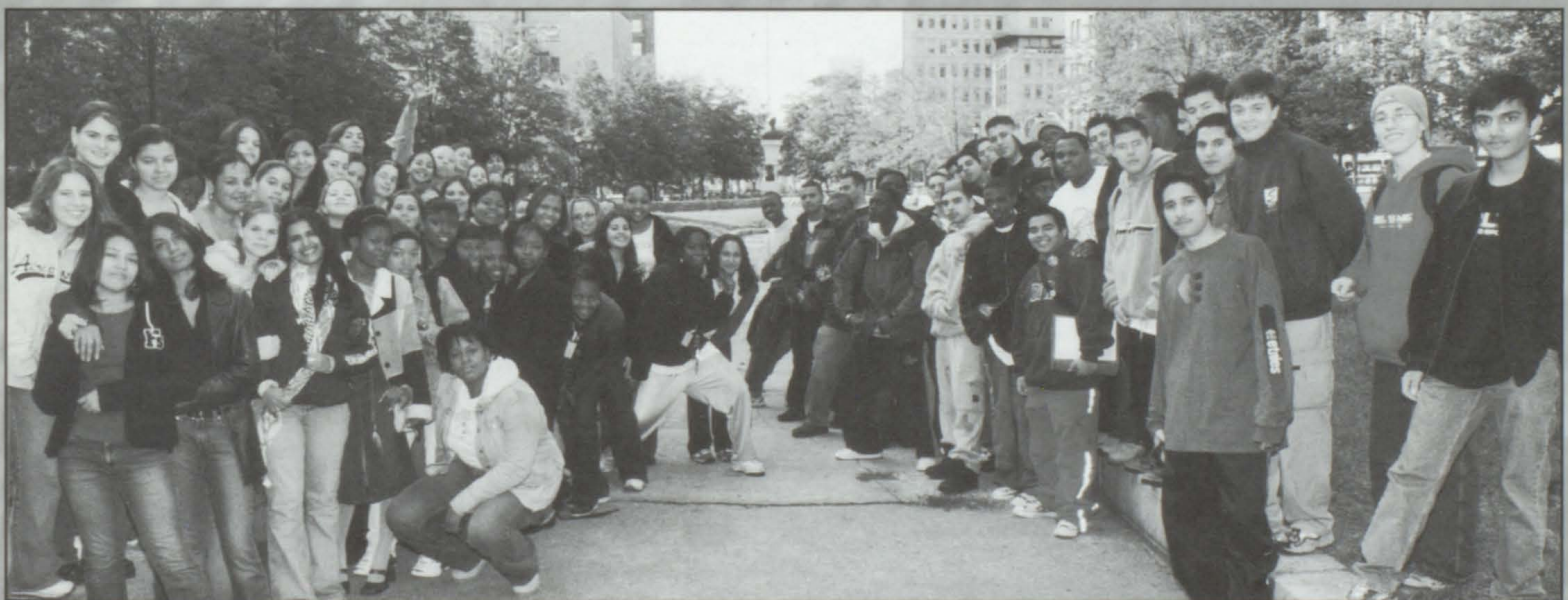
Well, as a senior I realized that growing up in this school, I really didn't make many friends. But, I thank GOD for the friends that I **do** have who like me for being me. I hope that they are successful in life and achieve their dreams. I would like to thank the staff at Science High for believing in my intelligence even though at times I would falter in a big way. I would also like to thank My Track Coaches for sticking by me throughout my four years here. I only wish them the best in life. My Upward Bound program at E.C.C. has done alot for me, and I thank them with all my heart. Last, but definitely not least, I would like to thank my Mom for staying on my case 24/7 to make sure I did the right thing.



IGOR ZAMOTA

Although it's been said that history repeats itself, I somehow feel that I will not be coming back here ever again, for any reason. Or am I? In any case, it's been interesting knowing some of you and not so interesting knowing others. I wish you all the best; actually I only wish the best to good people and my frinds. Everybody else can burn in h***--that's if you believe in it, anyway. Stay alive, pursue your LEGAL goals and dreams and most importantly, realize State Penn is not a college. So, I wish you all to JUST have fun and enjoy your years to come. Peace.

P.S. If you have nothing better to do in five years, **TRY** to find me.



SEE YA---HOPE YOU HAD A GOOD, GOOD TIME!

SPREADING OUR FRIENDSHIPS...

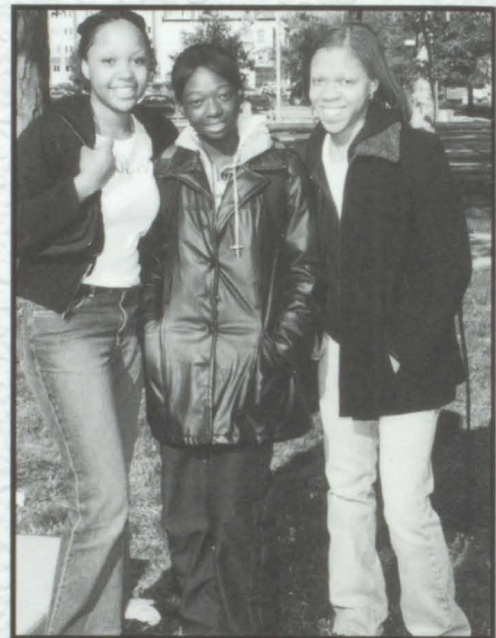


I will remember you; will you remember me?
Don't let your life pass you by
Weep not for the memories

Remember the good times that we had?
I let them slip away from us when things got bad
How clearly I first saw you smilin' in the sun
Wanna feel your warmth upon me
I wanna be the one

I will remember you/ will you remember me?
Don't let your life pass you by/ Weep not for the memories.

I'm so tired, but I can't sleep
Standin' on the edge of something much too deep
It's funny how we feel so much but we cannot say a word
But we can't be heard.

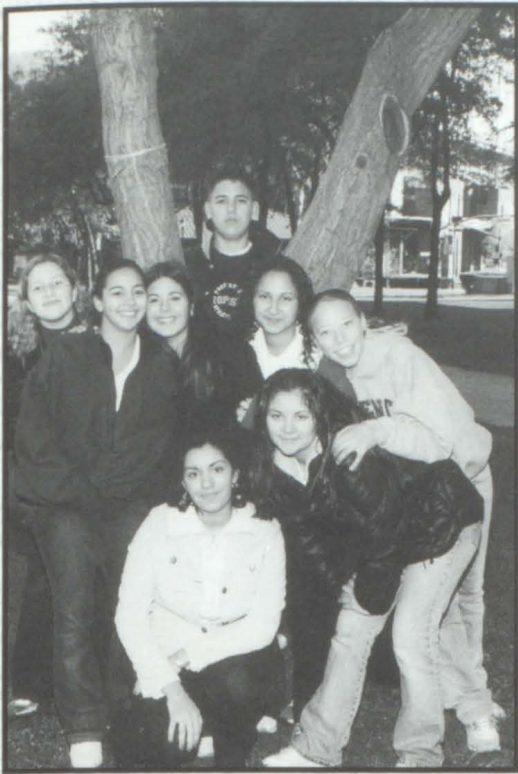


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...SPREADING OUR FRIENDSHIPS



But, I will remember you / Will you remember me?
Don't let your life pass you by/ Weep not for the memories

I'm so afraid to love you/But more afraid to lose you
Clinging to a past that doesn't let me choose
Once there was a darkness/ Deep and endless night
You gave me everything you had/ Oh, you gave me light.

And I will remember you
Will you remember me?
Don't let your life pass you by
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And I will remember you
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(song by Sarah McLachlan)



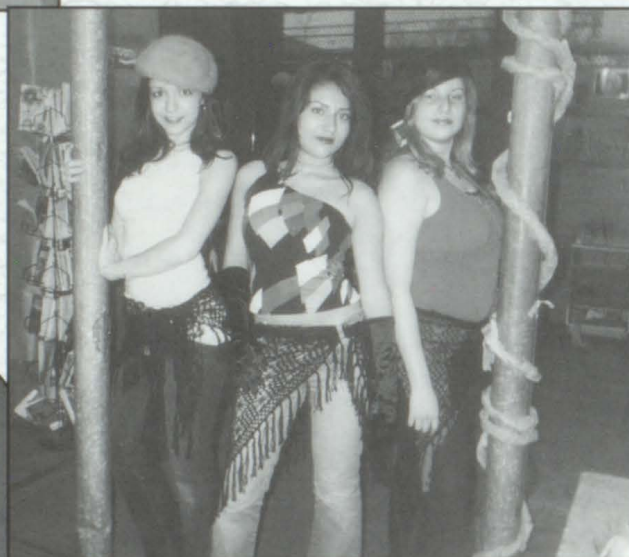
SHARING OUR STYLE.....



Held at George Washington Carver Elementary School, this night showcased performances by Ray Joe who opened with "Pain in My Lifetime," Melinda Gonzalez who read her original poem, "Revolution", Dalia Lemus, Erika Vela and Diane Araujo as "Slaves2Dance" danced to Shakira, Sean Paul and Justin Timberlake music. Randy Mitchell put the audience on their dancing toes with his rendition of "Time to Tell a Love Tale." Janell and the pep squad gave the show a super finish. The fashion portion included Crystal Robinson, Khafayat Odunfa, Quieira Evans, Felicia Maxwell, LaNessa Davis, Felipe Da Silva, Darryl Young and Stanley Wogwugwu.

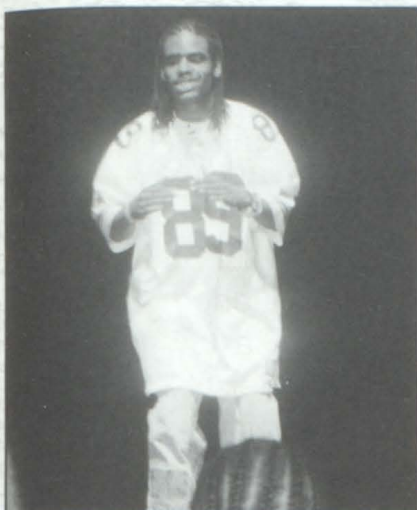


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FASHIONSHOW
2003
APRIL 17, 2003

.....LEAVING OUR MARK



Randy Mitchell in his award-winning performance at the "Stand and Deliver" event.



Iris Kaifa, Quiera Evans and Isis Sykes win 3rd Place in the 2000 Newark Debate Tour



Valedictorian Juliya Litichevskaya emigrated to the U.S. when she was ten. Since that time she earned a 4.292 GPA, scored 1520 on her SATs (a perfect 800 in writing!), became a Governor's School Scholar as well as as a Star-Ledger Scholar and will attend Yale--- not bad for a kid whose SECOND language is English!



As a Student-Community Organizer for the Unified Vailsburg Services Organization, Pamela Daniels created a forum that targeted gang violence in Vailsburg and worked to find ways to combat it.



Senior Aidah Singleton (in forefront), along with SHS 4 x 200 relay team, won the Essex County Championship!

Victor Monterrosa, Jr., along with several other Green Party Members, blocked the entrance to both Senator Jon Corzine's and Senator Frank Lautenberg's offices Friday, April 4th. The peaceful demonstration was done after the group was denied entrance to the senators' offices, where they sought an audience with the senators about proposing legislation to end military action in Iraq. After an hour or so of disruption at One Gateway Center, security guards let the activists in. Victor (pictured at the right-hand bottom corner of the picture) took a significant role during the meeting, representing Hispanics, students and immigrant. This event came only a week after the group staged another protest on Broad and Market Sts.



Great Day--Great Experience

The SHS Advanced Instrumental class was one of just 18 bands (comprising 1000 musicians) performing in the kick-off for the Broadway show --BLAST.



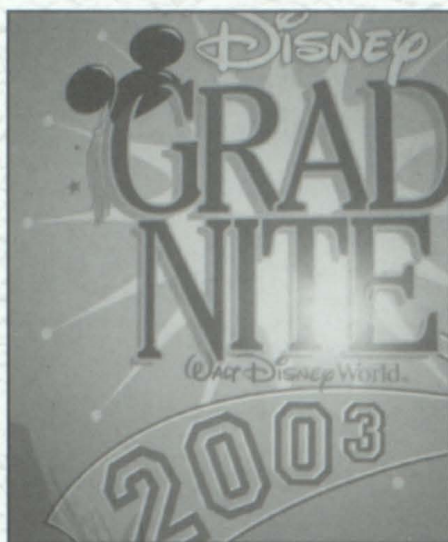
2003 ADVANCED INSTRUMENTAL CLASS



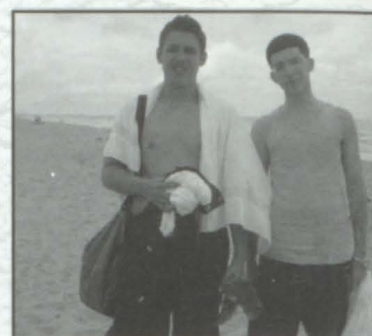
March
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...Exiting With a Blast...



PIRATES OF THE
CARIBBEAN---Space
Mountain--Mickey--
MINNIE---



INDIANA JONES/
ADVENTURE---

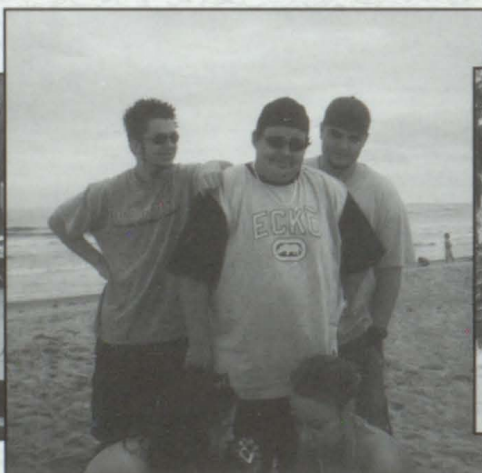
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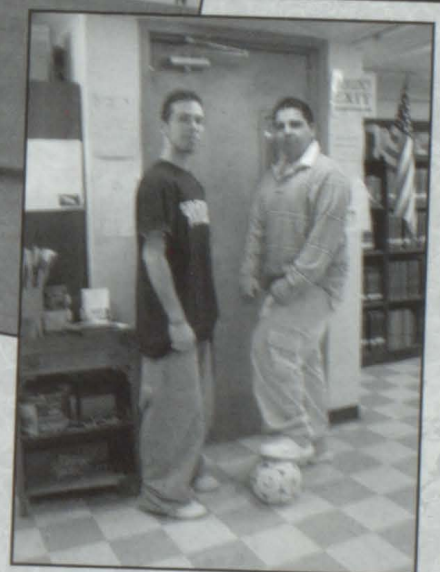
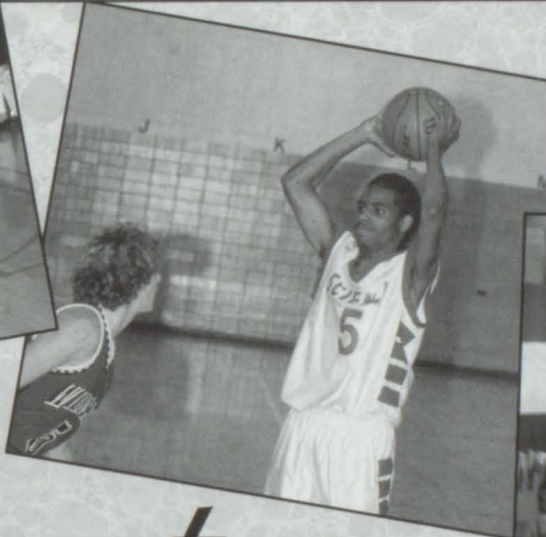


Beach----

Class of 2003---
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Lasting Friendships-----
Fun-----

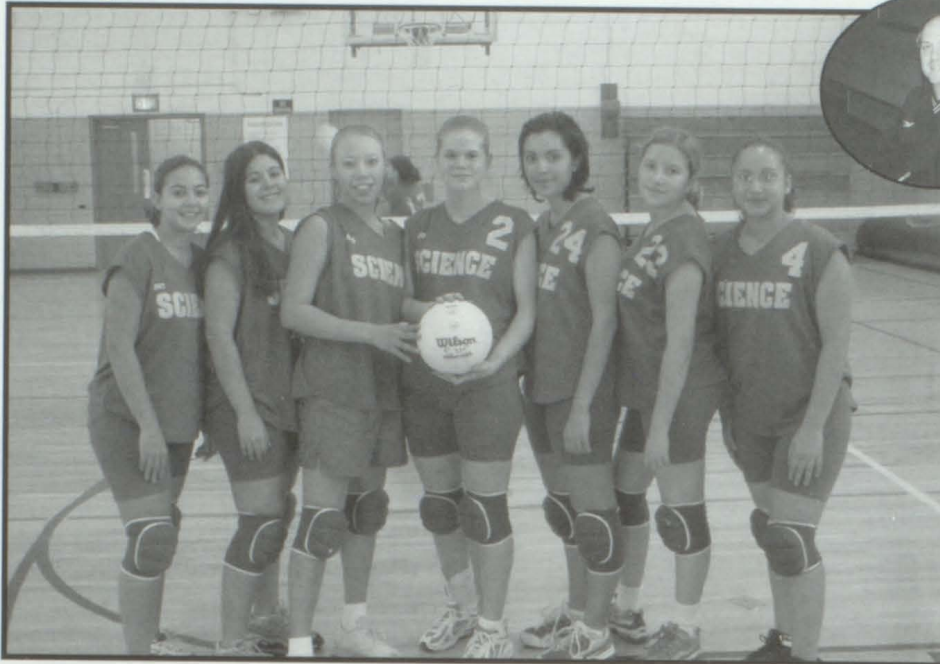




Sports

Volleyball Team

The 2002-2003 Volleyball season started off a bit rocky. With new players on varsity and new and improved game strategies to learn, our team strove to adjust to the new playing style. With after-school and Saturday practices, hard work and perseverance, we began to play as a team. We endured several obstacles and setbacks, but even in the face of defeat, we stood as a team and welcomed every challenge. The journey we traveled this season has been a great impact on the players as well as the coaches, and has set the standards for the upcoming season. A special thanks goes to Coach Rake, Eddie Grant, and Melvin for all of their support, encouragement and time.



Alejandra Marques, Vanessa Soares, Crystal Robinson, April D'Alessio, Vania Marques, Dalia Lemus, Alisa Martinez



Coach
J. Rake



Manager, Kiiana
Askew



Manager, Diana
Baez

Soccer Team

Science High School's Boys' Soccer Team achieved a .500 record of 6-6-1 in only its second season. Coach McMahon looked to Senior Co-captains Melvin Rivera and Rodrigo Santos as well as Senior starting defensemen Frank Muniz and Carlos Nunes for leadership. The team's primary offensive weapons, sophomores Thiago Siqueira and Andrew Aguirre, along with many other contributing underclassmen are looking forward to the challenge of joining the Colonial Hills Athletic Conference next year.



Coach J. McMahon
and Ass't F. Garcia



Captains:
Melvin
Rivera
and
Rodrigo
Santos



Standing: Carlos Nunes,
Frank Muniz Kneeling:
Sergio Nobre, Melvin Rivera,
Rodrigo Santos

Back: Miguel Lopez, Goal-keepers Jose Almagro and Walder Romero, Danny Jerez
Front: Thiago Siqueira, Ricky Ayala, Joffre Ulloa, Fernando Amigon, Chris Vidal
Bottom Right: Eduardo Campos



CHEERLEADERS



Seniors:
LaNessa Davis
Captain Quiera
Evans,
Clarissa Roper

LET'S GO
CHARGERS,
LET'S GO!



Advisor: Pamela
Germain

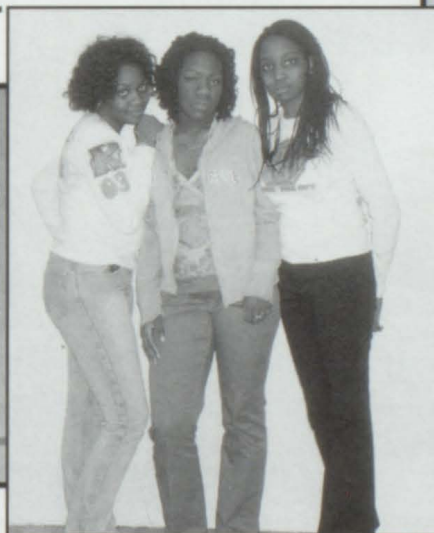


Standing: John Harris Kneeling: Clarissa Roper, Mary Dennis,
LaNessa Davis Front: Lizchelle Urena

PEP SQUAD

We are the Chargers of Science,
Blue and Gold--So, please, move
over--'Cause we are the real
pros--And please, don't knock us
--'cause you know we got the
flow--And please, just watch us
as we show you how it goes.....

Advisor:
Alina
Stawsky



Top: Co-cap-
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Odunfa Left:
O d u n f a ,
Felica Maxwell,
Janell
poindexter



GOLF

Coach: Jimmy Rake



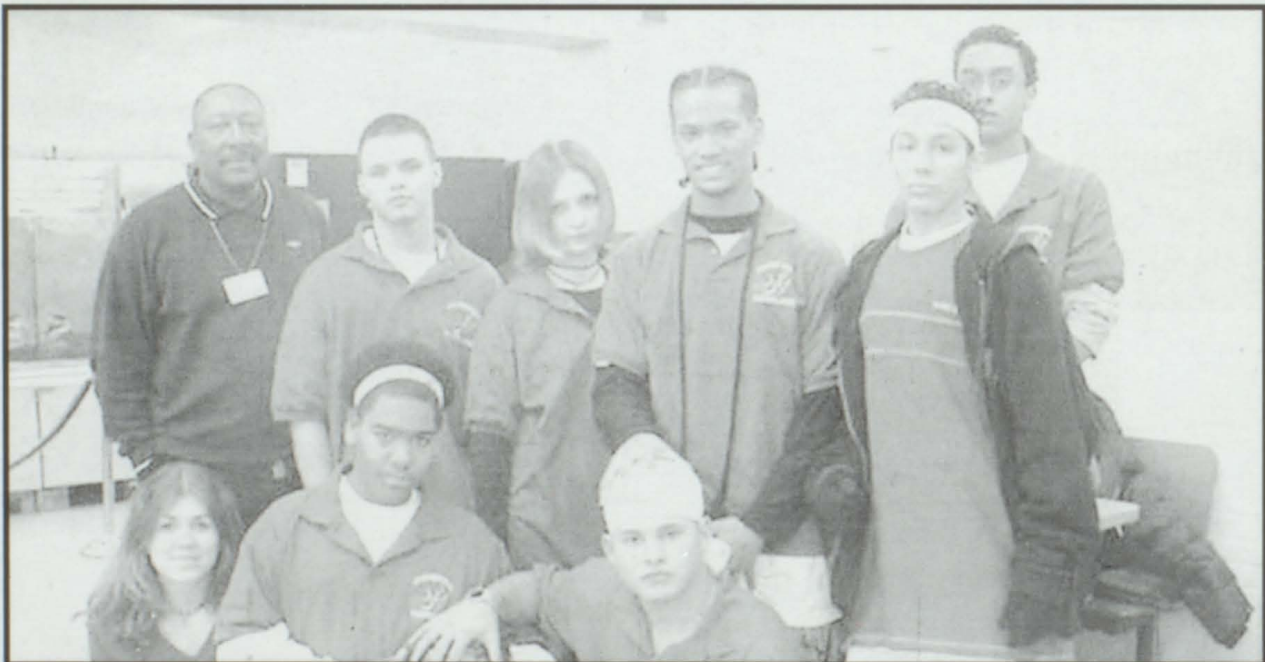
Captain
Felipe Da
Silva



Akeem Joseph, Fred Stephens, Amanda Cunningham, Anthony Alvarado, Felipe Da Silva, Justin Smith

BOWLING

The Bowling experience was new to most on the team. We had fun while learning new things with Coach Smiley. We didn't do too badly, considering it was the first time for most of us. We're all hoping for a better season next year.

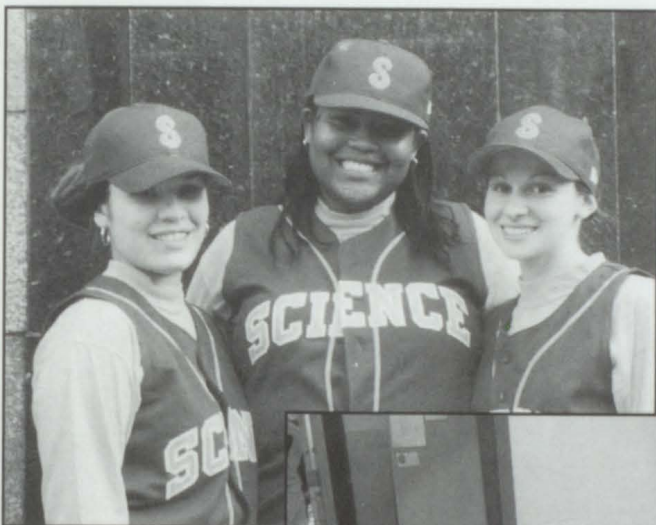


Standing: Coach smiley, Hector Melendez, Sylwia Sikora, Antonio Carpio, Eric Delgado, Khaleel Attiyeh
Kneeling: Susy Sax, Terrence Linton, Jonathan Munoz

SOFTBALL



Standing: Aimee Bartling (Captain), Dennisse Puente, Wilmarie Alamo, Jessica, Debora Oliveira, Susana Pouso, Kiiana Askew, Loriann Toppin, Nancy Pais Kneeling: Cindy Diaz, Jasmine Manns, Alfreda Weh, Allison, Angela Vasquez, Mary Kusen (Captain), Charlie Vincent, Vanessa Velasquez



TRACK AND FIELD



Top Row: Coach Johnson, Terrell Ruff, Hudson, Joel Diaz, Abraham Lee, Darryl Young, Coach Hooper
Bottom Row: Aidah Singleton, Brenda Dorcelly, Sereena Redman, Adrienne Smith, Schulyer Edmunds, Marquita Gibbs, Asha Bailey



GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Although this was not the best season of our 4 years, it has definitely taught me alot--in order to play like a team, you have to become a team and put all of your differences aside. This might not have been a problem for the seniors, but it definitely was for the underclassmen. On a brighter note, Felicia Maxwell became the Captain of the team, and Tena Rivera was appointed Co-Captain. They did their jobs to the best of their ability in trying to keep the team together and successful. (TR)



Standing: Assistant Coach Avant, Kiiiana Askew, Jasmine Alayon, Felicia Maxwell, Yasmeen Bates, Amika Langaya, Coach Gibbs Kneeling: Nancy Pais, Cindy J. Diaz, Tena Rivera, Crystal Garcia, Ronika Bridges Not Pictured: Coach Gibbs



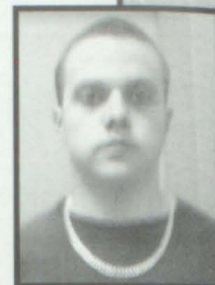
Left:
Seniors
Stats:
Kiiiana Askew

Co-Captain:
Tena Rivera (Tiny Tot)

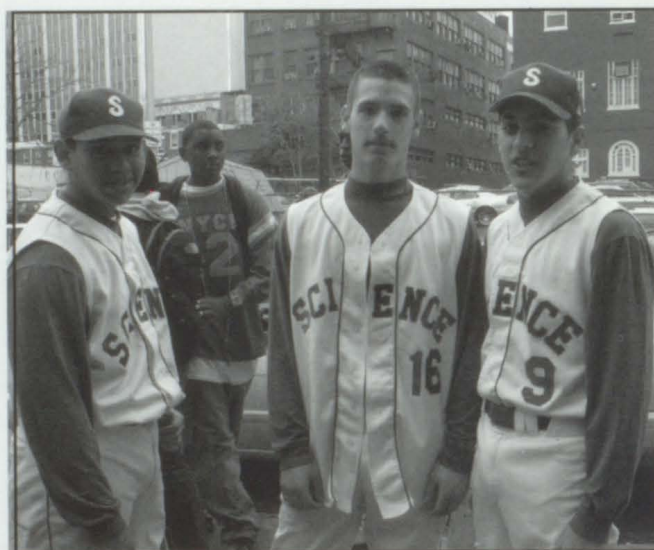
Captain:
Felicia Maxwell (Fe)



BASEBALL



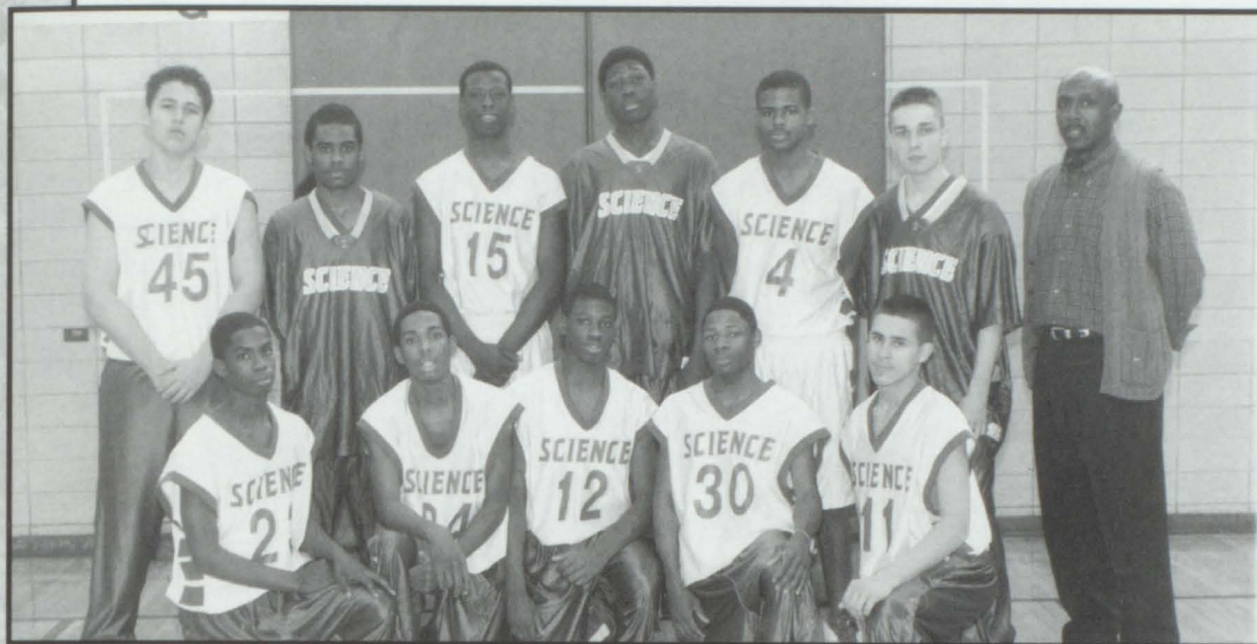
Seniors:
Michael
Spadavecchia,
Chris Cabrera,
& Steve
Moinhos



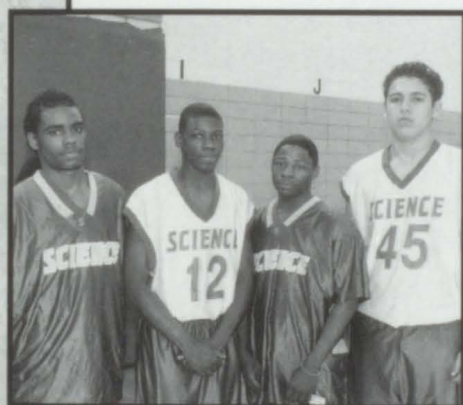
Boys' Basketball

This year's Charger's squad was assembled with many expectations. However, things don't always go as planned. With a varsity squad loaded with freshmen, we couldn't quite live up to our school's tradition of winning. We finished the season at 4-17. We lost the first game of the season, but bounced back with a thrilling victory over Technology High School to advance to the second round of the holiday tournament, where we lost to eventual champion East Side High School. Several players who were supposed to play a big role for us this year did not finish the season with us for various reasons, but we kept pushing and trying our hardest.

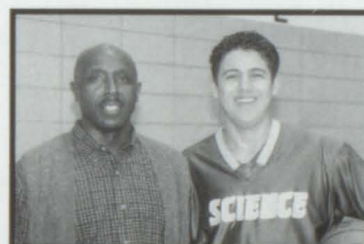
The high point of the season was, without a doubt, a 2-game sweep of Verona High School. We got a huge victory at home, then traveled to Verona and came out victorious at the end of a very thrilling game. Senior guard Stanley Wogwugwu had a standout performance during the holiday tournament, then went on to establish himself as the go-to player on the team. Felipe Da Silva, Randy L. Mitchell III and Travis Williams were the other senior contributors on the team.



Back: Felipe Da Silva, Randy Mitchell, Christopher Brown, Abdul Ovedrago, Richard Williams, Thiago Sequeira, Coach Milton Gaylord **Front:** Nareem Hammond, Joseph Ellis, Stanley Wogwugwu, Travis Williams, Pedro Rosario



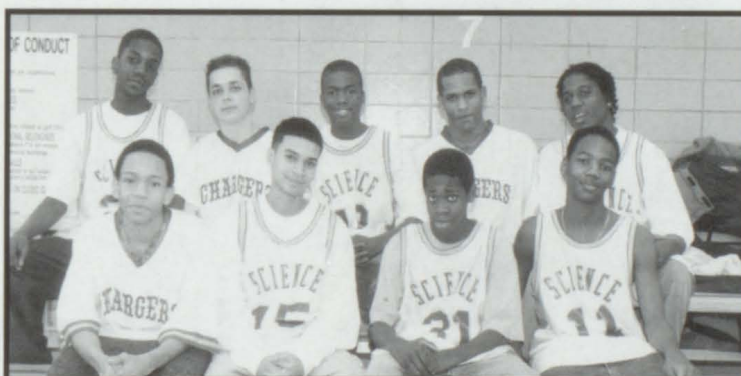
Left: Seniors Randy Mitchell, Stanley Wogwugwu, Travis Williams, Felipe Da Silva



Coach Gaylord and Captain Da Silva



Managers: Zipporah Thompson and Michelle Takyi



2003 Junior Varsity Team---**Back:** Garret McCloud, Felipe Siqueira, Dajuan Hatch, Billy Elmore, Malcolm Glover **Front:** Cephass Battle, Rafael Fernandez, Justin Smith, Kale Evans

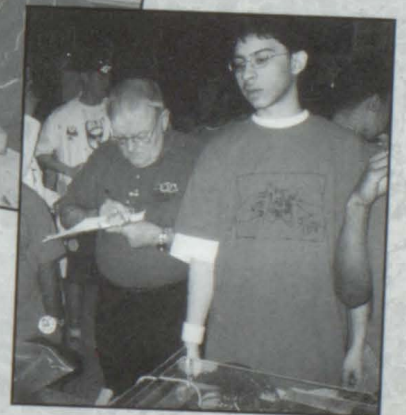


CHAMPIONSHIP TENNIS



Standing: Principa Christine Taylor, Christina Ferriera, Aida, Victoria Petrovski, Genine
Kneeling: Dominique, Cristine, Jessica Perez, Stacie Spadavecchia, Laura





Activities

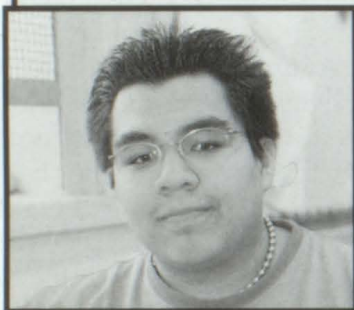
Our activities as a class truly brought us together this year. It began with our Homecoming Dance after the Pep Rally in December. Before spring break, we hosted the Fashion and Talent Show, three hours of excellent singing, dancing, instrument playing and amazing modeling. We completely bonded on our Orlando, Florida trip, tirelessly organized by our wonderful advisor, Ms. Ferlita. We enjoyed four days of fun with visits to Cocoa Beach, Wet 'n Wild, Islands of Adventure, Universal Studios and an incredibly wonderful Disney-sponsored evening of dancing, partying and roller coaster thrills at the Magic Kingdom. Now, we look forward to Senior Week at SHS where we will end our high school days and begin the rest of our lives.

SENIOR CLASS ORGANIZERS



Left to Right: Top: Victor Monterossa, Ms. Ferlita (Advisor), Diana Baez; Middle Edgar Trindade, Clarissa Roper, Kandi Berryman, Dalia Lemus, Isis Sykes, Janell Poindexter, Pam Daniels; Bottom: Crystal Robinson, Marquis Bell, Kiiana Askew

President



Victor Monterrosa

Vice-president



Janell Poindexter

Treasurer

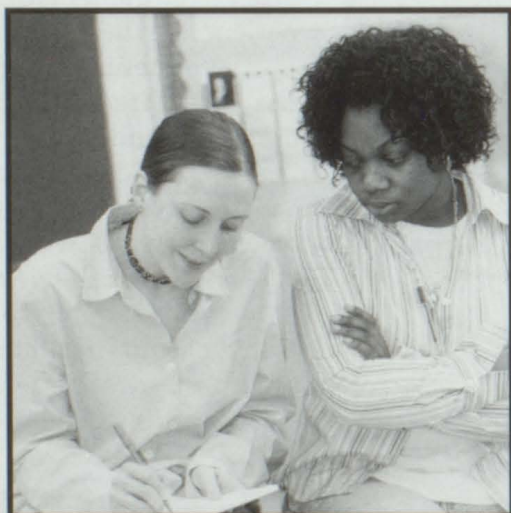


Clarissa Roper

Secretary



Khafayat Odunfa





Julie Nelson
Advisor

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



Standing: (L to R) Marcos Bayas, Stephanie Bernardes, Marco Almeida, Victor Monterrosa, Mishal Patel, Dawid Dabrowski, Erika Vela, Aleksandr Kalika, Marium Tureen, Rhea Bernard, Lisa Bhoaj **Sitting:** Woodly Thelusma, Diane Araujo, Melinda Gonzalez, Susana Alvarez, April D'Alessio **Not in photo:** Sandra Tetteh, Stephen Moinhos, Joseph Pinho, Dennisse Navas, Igor Zamota



Science High School is affiliated with the *Quaerentes Veritatem* Chapter of the National Honor Society. Students are invited to apply for membership based on an academic achievement record of a minimum 3.3 GPA. However, selection of members is a more involved process. Students must prove they have strong character, dedicated service to school and community, and clear leadership qualities. This year's group proved their worth in all these areas. Their four years at Science included activities which emphasized their willingness to lead unselfishly and morally in the service of their school. They have served as escorts to visitors, they have held office in school activities and they have been role models for underclassmen. They worked diligently as a unit in their Christmas greeting candy-cane efforts. Their deliveries were warmly received in the homeroom. Outside the school, they have spent time helping the elderly at the Clara Maass Medical Center. In addition to bringing cheer to these senior citizens, the visits provided learning and maturing experience. On behalf of V.P. Woodley Thelusma, Sec. Erika Vela, Treas. Stephen Moinhos and the entire group, President Diana Araujo says, "From this moment forward we hope that our current as well as our future National Honor Society will carry forth these traditions and experiences we shared. Congratulations to the Class of 2003."

Since its inception in 1980, Science High School has produced at least one State Champion in debate each year. The team, on any given weekend, is traveling anywhere from Chicago to Atlanta, representing Newark or the state of NJ against the best competitors in the country, establishing itself as one of the most respected programs in the U.S. This year, seniors Victor Monterrosa and Isis Sykes will be one of two policy debate teams from NJ to compete in NFL Nationals in June.

LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE TEAM



SENIORS



Standing: Coach Jonathan Alston, Isis Sykes Sitting: Jheni Kaifa, Janell Poindexter Missing: Marquis Bell, Sandra Tetteh, Victor Monterrosa



Isis and Victor will compete in June



In no particular order: JC Poindexter, Jheni Kaifa, Diana Ruiz, Crystal Robinson, Rokeya Siddiqua, Regina Burris, Elizabeth Bosque, Akilah Akridge, Amira Lovelace, Renata Muniz, Jennifer Umebuani, Arooj Siragi, Leisha Huggins, Vanessa Rodrigues, Khalil Atiyyeh, Begum Siddiqua, Jacqueline Abbey, Virginia Dos Santos, Nidia Carreira, Stephanie Oliveira, Isiah Adams

"Do Something is an organization that helps YOU get involved in your community. As part of Do Something, our school, you and your friends identify the issues YOU care about and create community projects to turn your ideas into action."

www.dosomething.org

DO SOMETHING CLUB



Standing (Seniors) L to R: Pedro J. Herrera, Randy Mitchell, Mrs. Capriglione, Candy Berryman, Shakiira Stevens Sitting L to R: Tena Rivera, Pam Daniels, Allie Marques

SENIORS



Randy Mitchell, Quiera Evans, Pamela Daniels, LaNessa Davis, Kandi Berryman, Alejandra Marques, Travis Williams, Shakiira Stevens, Clarissa Roper, Larry Carmant, Stanley Wogwugwu, Pedro J. Herrera



DRAMA CLUB



Advisor: Alberta Handelman

Students with an interest in acting have a forum for their talents in the Drama Club. After months of rehearsals, the actors perform a play in June. This year's play is Arthur Miller's THE CRUCIBLE.

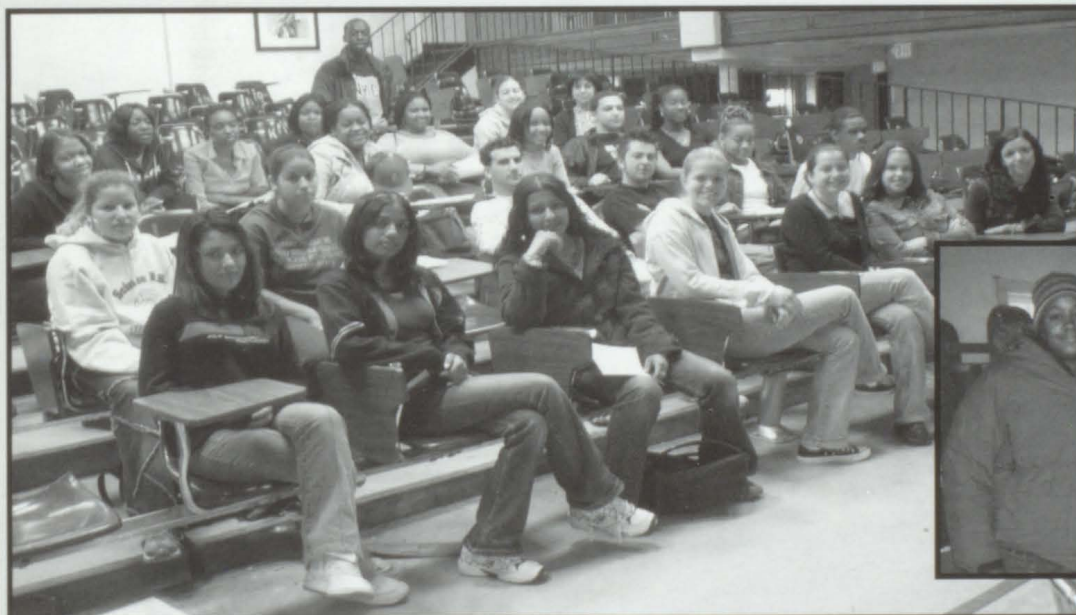


Marquis Belle

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PEER LEADERSHIP



The Peer Leadership Transition Project was created to help incoming Freshmen adjust to high school. However, it was an invaluable learning and bonding experience for the upperclassmen as well. Kudos and thanks to our advisors -- Coordinator Elaine White, Mr. Mays, Ms. Flores & Ms. Guido -- for a great experience.



Members: LaNessa Davis, Marium Tareen, Michael Moura, Janell Poindexter, Florencia Pereira, Zipporah thompson, Laquita Webb, Erika Vela, Clarissa Roper, Chris Paliz, Isis Sykes, Randy Mitchell, Woodly Thelusma, pamela Daniels, Dawid Dabrowski, Alejandra Marques, Ana Da Silva, Vera Duarte, Felicia Maxwell, Vania Marques, April D'Alessio, Rhea Brnard, Dalia Lemus, Raynard Joe, Melinda Gonzalez, Diane Araujo, Lisa Bhoaj, Susana Alvarez

Math Olympics has been a district-wide annual event since its inception in 1991. District Schools compete in an A.P. Calculus component in the spring. Medals, plaques, trophies and prizes are awarded at the end of the timed, 50-60 question competition. In May, all high schools participate in a written preliminary test, sending the three top-scoring schools to the finals, an oral round with 50-60 questions and a 1-minute time limit per question. Medals, plaques, trophies and prizes are awarded to the winners in each subject category.

MATH OLYMPICS



Katherina Bodis, Gian0Paul Vidal, Aliya Metebekoval, Rokeya Siddiqua, Erick Nunez, Jessica Santos, Olga Neradovshikh, Mark Cerqueira, Dalia Lemus, Virginia Dos Santos, Allison Mediros

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Dalia Lemus

The Environmental Society advised by Mrs. Tammy Perkins, attempts to make youth more contentious about their environment, on a school and global level as well. Through corporations such as Project U.S.E., the members go outside of their urban surroundings and learn about the importance of reservoirs, watersheds and recyclin. Through this exposure via field trips, students walk away with renewed awareness.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB



Kandi Berryman,
Vice-President; Pam
Daniels, President



Top Row: Felipe Da Silva, Larry Carmant, Kilana Askew, Pedro Herrera, Christina Johnson, Khafayat Odunfa, Kandi Berryman
Middle : Allie Marques, Stanley Wogwugwu, Tena Rivera
Bottom Row: Pam Daniels



Cindy Sanchez,
Secretary; Christine
Campos, Treasurer

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CLOSE UP PROGRAM



Diana Ruiz, LaQuita Webb, Kayetan Krajewski, Lyndsay Kilpatrick, Zipporah Thompson, Mr. Gaylord



Diana Ruiz and Lindsay Kilpatrick

OFFICERS

The functions of local, state and federal governments involve a very complex and detailed format. The Close-Up program is designed to reveal to students in a hands-on way exactly how this format unfolds on a daily, hourly, and even moment-to-moment basis. This year's activities have been of particular relevance in light of the 9/11 terrorist attack and our involvement in the Iraqi War. Clearly, the critical decision-making required of our heads of state involve extraordinary planning and foresight, and the observance of such has offered itself as remarkable insight for our future political scientists.

FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA



The "Future Teachers of America club with Mr. Christian O'Neal as its advisor, is designed for those interested in pursuing careers as educators or other education-related jobs. Members engage in various activities such as shadowing teachers in the school and "adopting" a teacher. Members who "adopt" a teacher assist the teacher and gain invaluable lessons for the future.



Marcos Bayas and Stephanie Bernardes

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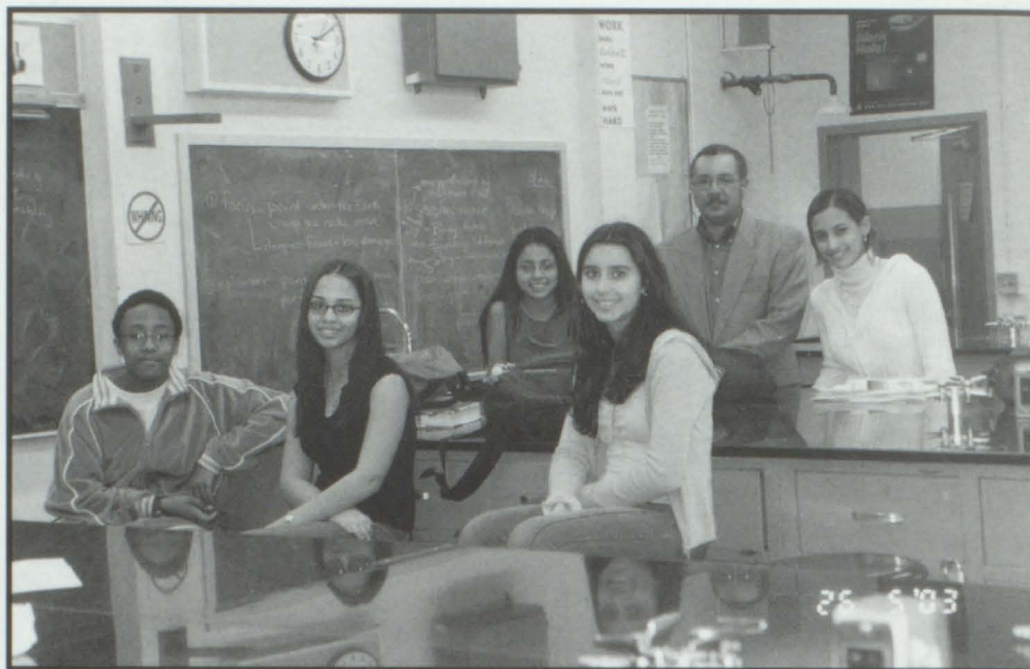
The Future Physicians Club is an effective program that allows students who are interested in studying medicine to have hands-on experiences such as dissecting, identifying different cells and understanding human anatomy.

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Maria Arauz and Stephanie Pereira

FUTURE PHYSICIANS CLUB



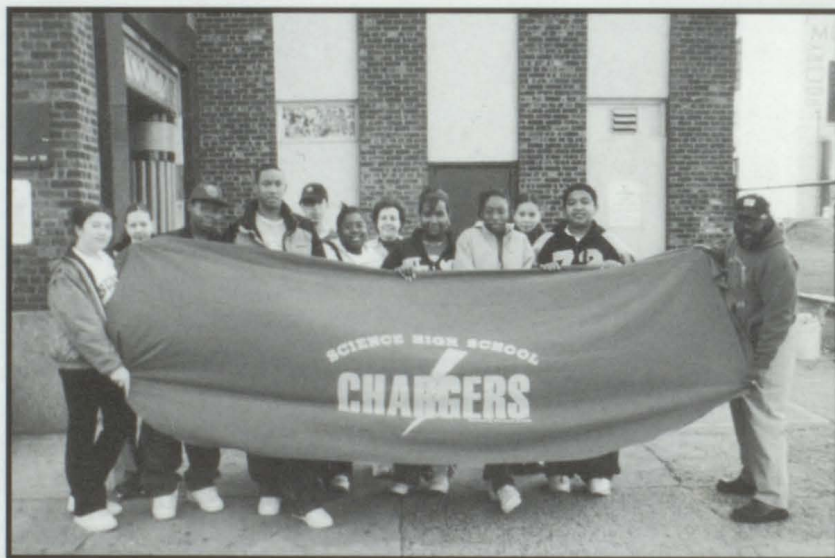
Isiah Adams, Stephanie Rodrigues, Maria Arauz, Susan Vieira, Mr. Waltz, Stephanie Pereira

The Student Council consists of students who are civic-minded leaders, representing the school. They discuss school policy and community as well as political agendas. They are the shakers and movers of the school and the voice of the student body.

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STUDENT COUNCIL

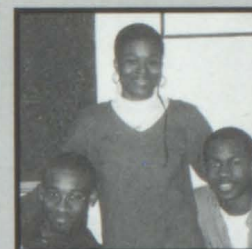


SHS MEMBERS OF THE ALL-CITY CHORUS



Top Row: Darryl Young, Jr., Brenda Mitchell, George Clapps, Quanella Ford
Kneeling: Aidah Singleton, Barbara Williams
Not pictured: Jonathan Arruda, Regina Burris, Ewart Field, Brittany Flanagan

The All-City Chorus consists of talented students from all over Newark who join together to do what they love best--SING. The director, Ms. McClendon is a very loving and serious director who is persistent in pushing us to our full potential. She is assisted by other Newark Music Teachers in preparing us for performances in places like the Newark Museum and the Bacchalaureate at Sacred Heart Cathedral where the SHS seniors will be giving their last performance.



Darryl Young,
Aidah Singleton
& Ewart Field



George
Clapps

Seniors

CLUB RIF



Mr. Khichi, Kamil Dabrowski, Stacy Spadavecchia, Aida Rivera, Jessica Nunez, Jackie Perez, Susana Da Silva, Diana Meera, Milka Baptista, Natasha Torres, Nadia Da Silva, Ariel Auffant, Naroopa Narine, Sharon Rojas, Yomilka Bautista, Adrienne Smith, Ebonique McKay, Katherine Rivera, Stephanie Pereira, Evelyn Becerra, Frank Evaristo
Kneeling: Kristen Afonso, Janeli Melendez, Claribel Muniz, Michell Takyi
Missing: Gian-Paul Vidal

Every Monday afternoon, a group of 25 juniors and their advisor, Mr. Neel Khichi, traveled to Clinton Ave. Elementary to participate in the Club RIF (Reading is Fundamental) Program. Each student was paired up with 2 to 3 "little buddies" and served as "Big Buddy", a Reading Mentor and a Friend.



Advisor,
Neel Khichi

HEALTH AND NURSING CLUB

The Health and Nursing Club allows young adults who have a passion for science and medicine to investigate and discuss health issues and safety tips. Speakers from various health fields make the group aware of the many career possibilities.



Jocelyn Perez, Ana Goncalves, Chrystianne Santos, Mishell Puente, Kristen Afonso, Mrs. White, Sandra Pego, Susana Da Silva, Stephanie Pereira, Maria Arauz

OFFICERS



Chrystianne Santos, Ana Goncalves, Kristen Afonso

Our mantra: Have fun--Stay on Task--Play your best. Around March of each year, all instrumental classes come together to make up the Science High School Band. In May, these students perform a Spring Concert.

BAND



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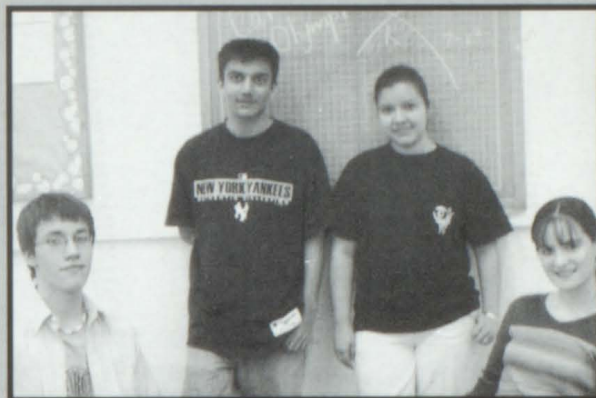
MATH CLUB



Standing: Angela Campos, Ruslana, Aida Rivera, Stacy Spadavecchia, Ziaul, Mrs. Matos, Jessica Nunez
Sitting: Thomas Porturas, Luba Farley, Aliya Medetbekova, Christine Campos, Olga, Michael Ortega

Right: Calculus Olympics Team:
Marco Almeida, Mishal Patel,
Dennisse Navas, Julia Litichevskiya

The SHS Math Club is involved in a variety of activities including mathematical games such as Nim, The Peg Game, Revers and various Internet games. They also solve brain teasers and puzzles and this year they worked on line designs with string. The club also sponsors the monthly NJ Math League Contest.



SENIORS

ROBOTICS TEAM



In January 2003, The SHS Robotics Club, along with 800 other high school in the U.S. and Canada, received 2 large boxes from U.S. First in Manchester, New Hampshire. The boxes contained most of the parts needed to build a robot which would be displayed in regional and national competitions. Our team worked in a small workshop at NJIT since we lack the facilities for such an undertaking. Our creation, named Genesis was hauled to Mississauga in the Ontario province of Canada where the competition was held at the Hershey Sports Center. The team ranked 24th out of 64 contestants.

SENIORS



David Gaetan, Amuwa Amegor, Jaime Rodriguez, Ewart Field

The Class of 2004 has had a very busy and productive year. Class officers Lyndsay Kilpatrick, Diana Ruiz, Christine Campos, Ivis Ortiz and the Advisory board have worked hard to raise funds for their class while offering a variety of events to include everyone. We started off the year with a "Who Got Game Night," Students participated in a Spades Tournament, played Yu-Gi-Oh, as well as PlayStation and X-Box games. Next, the class of 2004 sold favors for the Deember Pep Rally to kick off the winter sports season. They also helped make Valentine's Day 2003 memborable with the Valentine's Dance at Trinity St. Phillip's Cathedral. Students took a break from dancing to pose for Polaroid pictures with friends and loved ones. The event was one of the highlights of the year. Lasty, the class also sold candygrams for the week of St. Patricks Day.

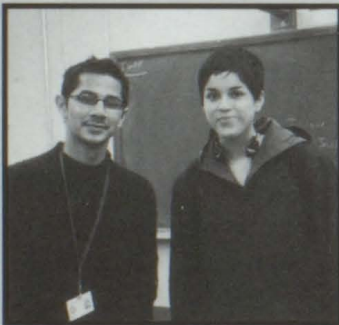
JUNIOR CLASS



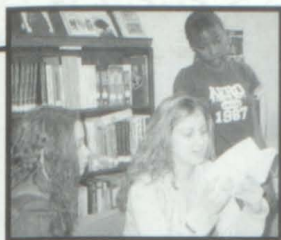
Lindsay Kilpatrick, Diana Ruiz, Advisor Mr. Carly Olivier, Ivis Ortiz, Christine Campos, Advisor Ms. Dara Crocker.

On Friday afternoons in Room 317, this group of students with their advisor, Mr. Neel Khichi, would participate in "wacky Hi-jinx." We read, we wrote, and put together two magazine.: "Known by All, said by Few: and "What lies Behind, Behind These Eyes."

THE SCRIBBLER



Mr. Khichi with senior Angela Estela



THE SYNERGIST

Synergist: definition: *An agent that combines the effects of organisms, creating an effect that exceeds the sum of their individual parts.*

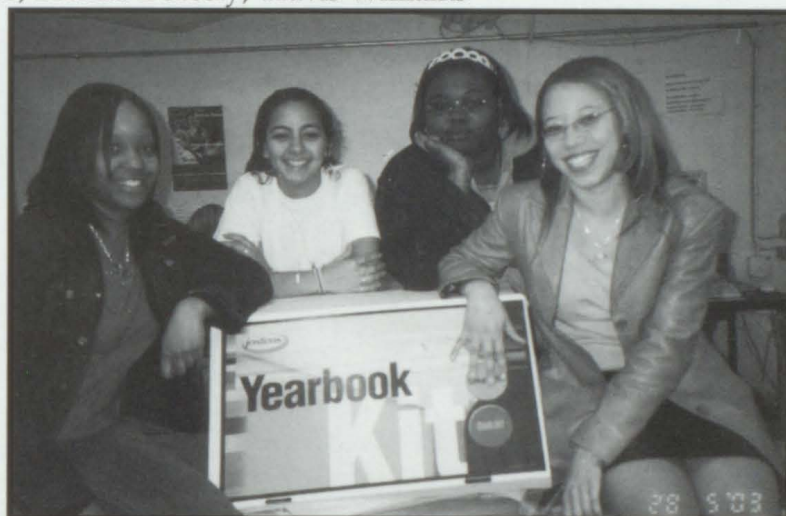
We hope our combined memories have helped to create a product that enhances the high school experience for each member of the Class of 2003.



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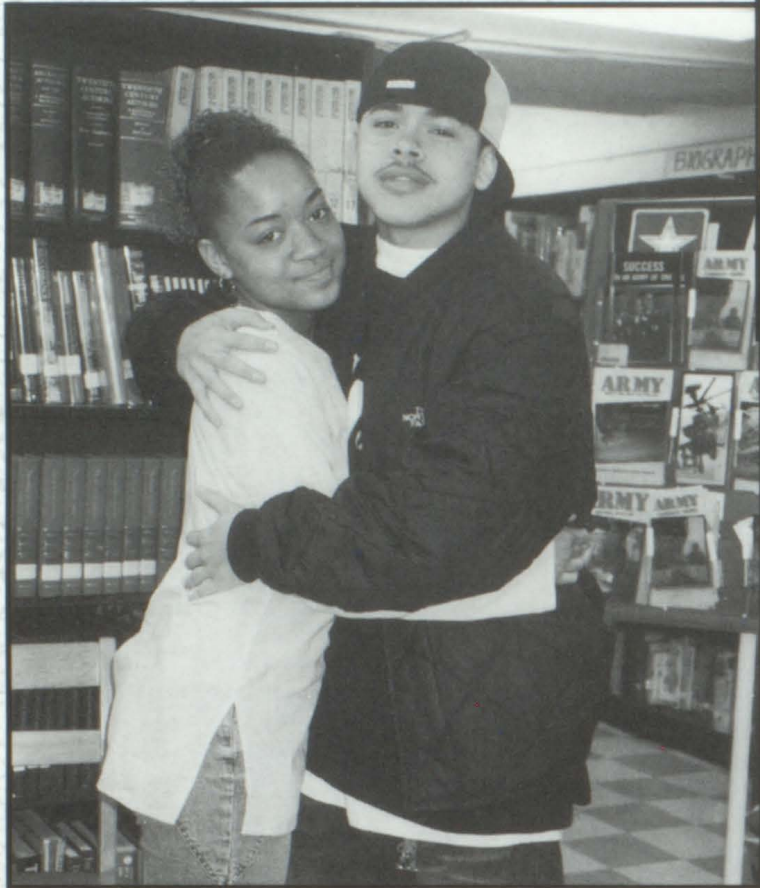


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PEOPLE'S CHOICES.....

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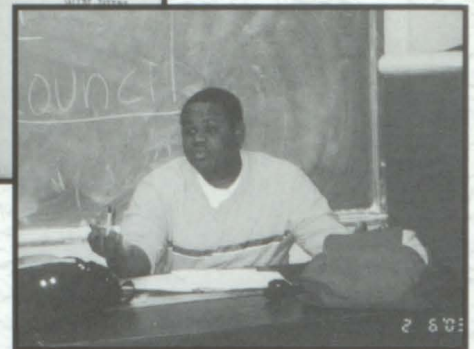


Lionel King &
Tena Rivera

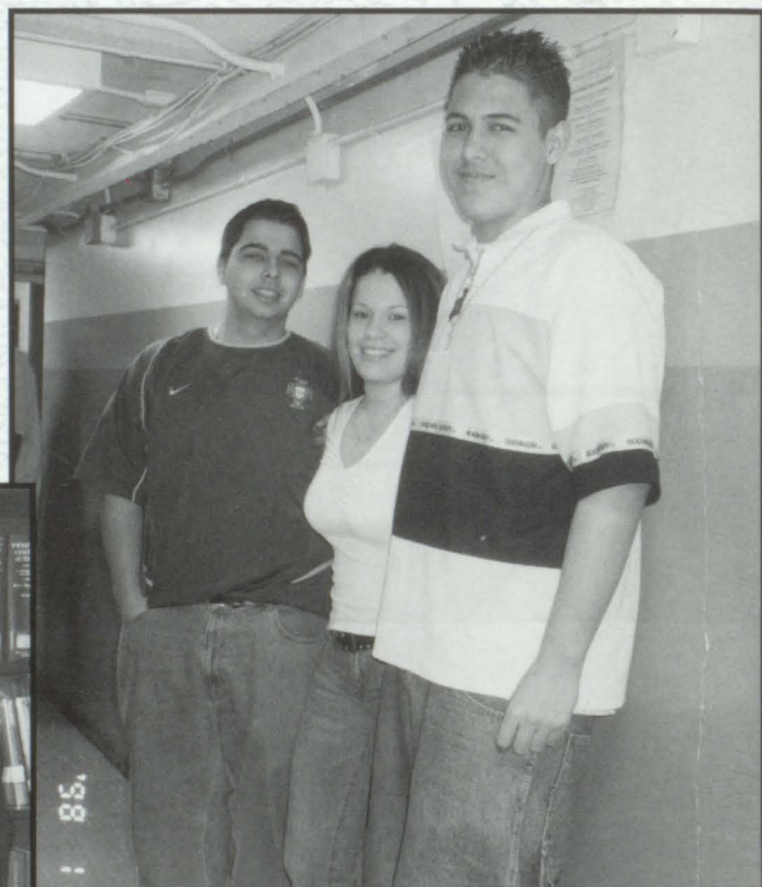
Runners up



Susana Alvarez
& Marquis Bell

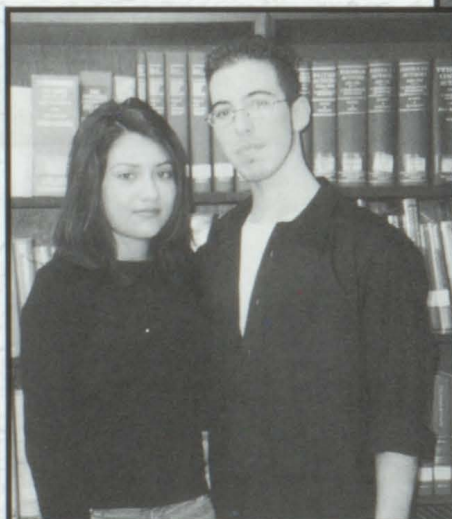


Most Charming



Felipe Dasilva, Carlos Nunes,
& Aimee Bartling

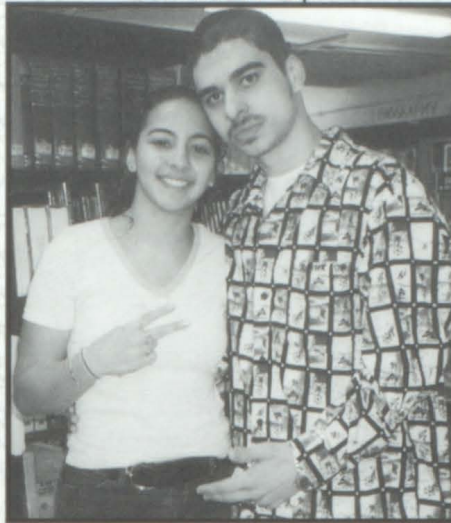
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Erika Vela &
Frank Muniz

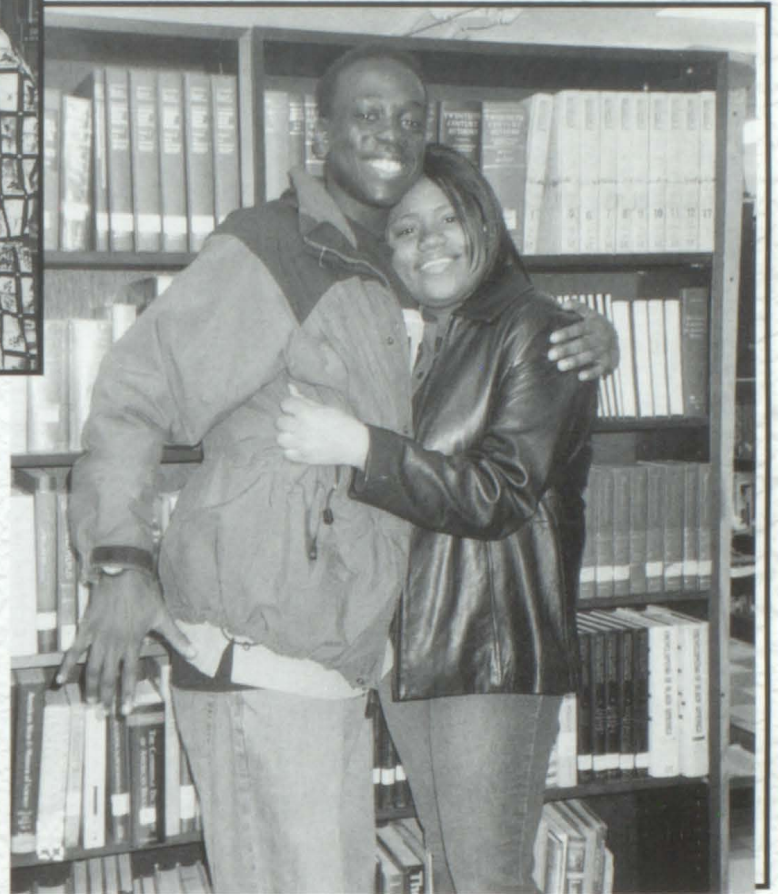
PEOPLE'S CHOICES

Runners up



Allie Marques
& Alex Cintron

Best Personality



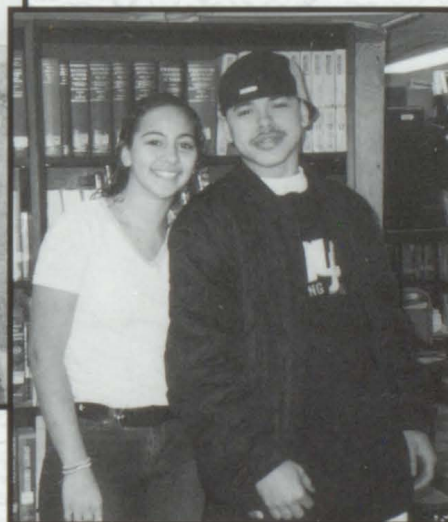
Woodly Thelusma &
Isis Sykes

Loudest



Woodly Thelusma &
Pam Daniels

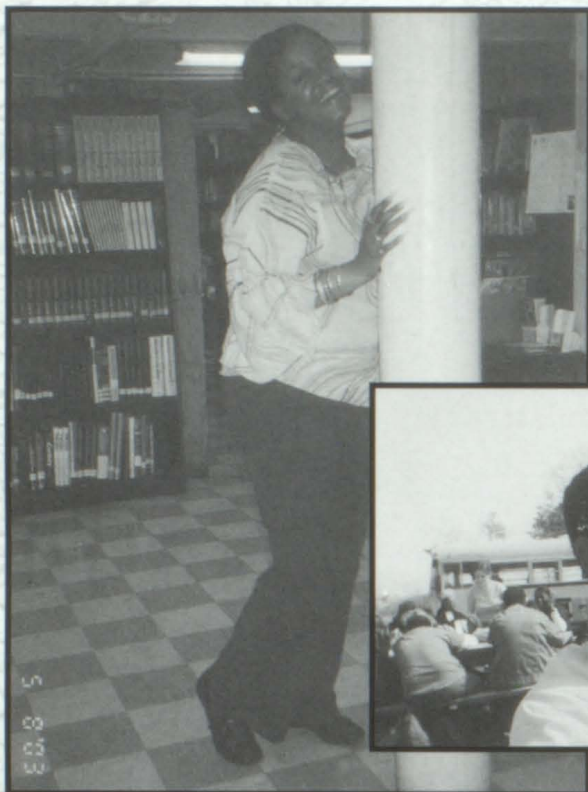
Runners up



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PEOPLE'S CHOICES.....

Most Dramatic



Pam Daniels

Marquis Bell

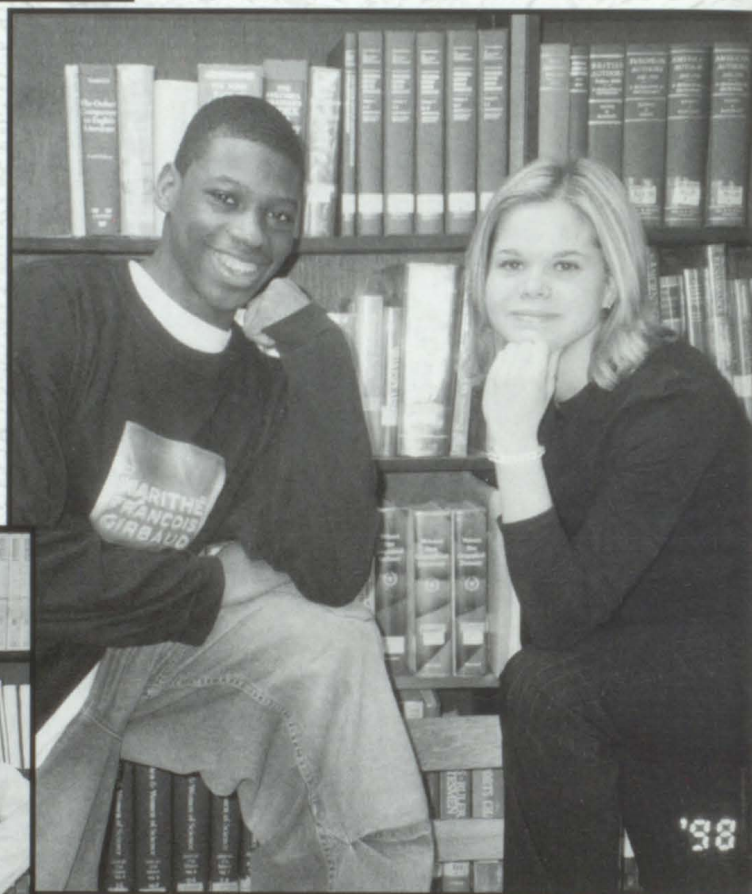


Runners up



Roger Godinho
&
Stephanie
Bernardes

Most Athletic



Stanley Wogwugwu
&
April D'Alessio

Runners up



Felipe Da Silva
&
Tena Rivera

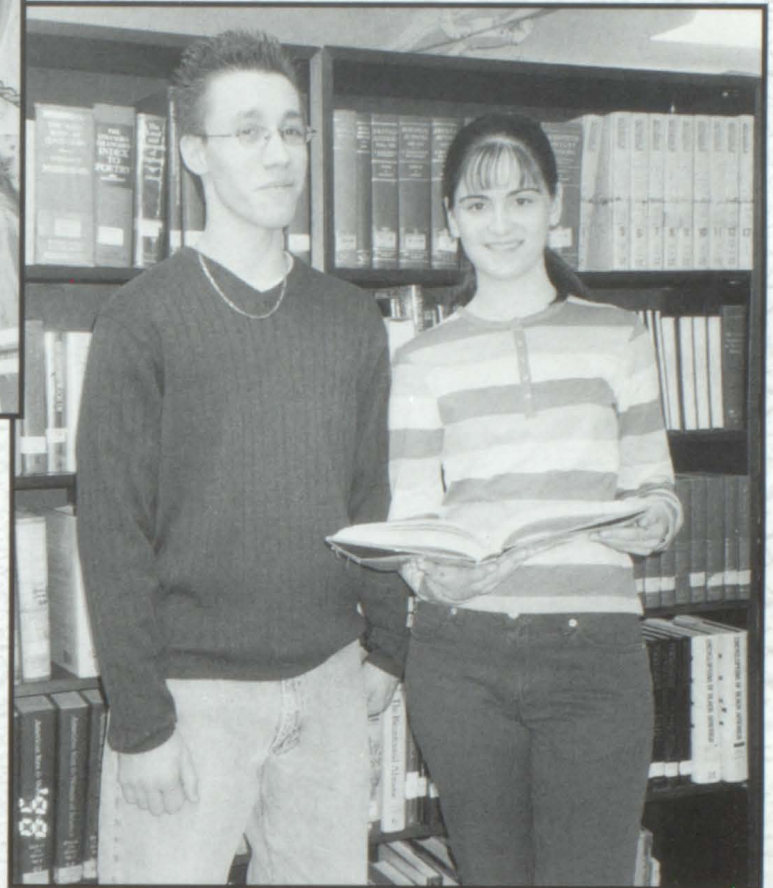
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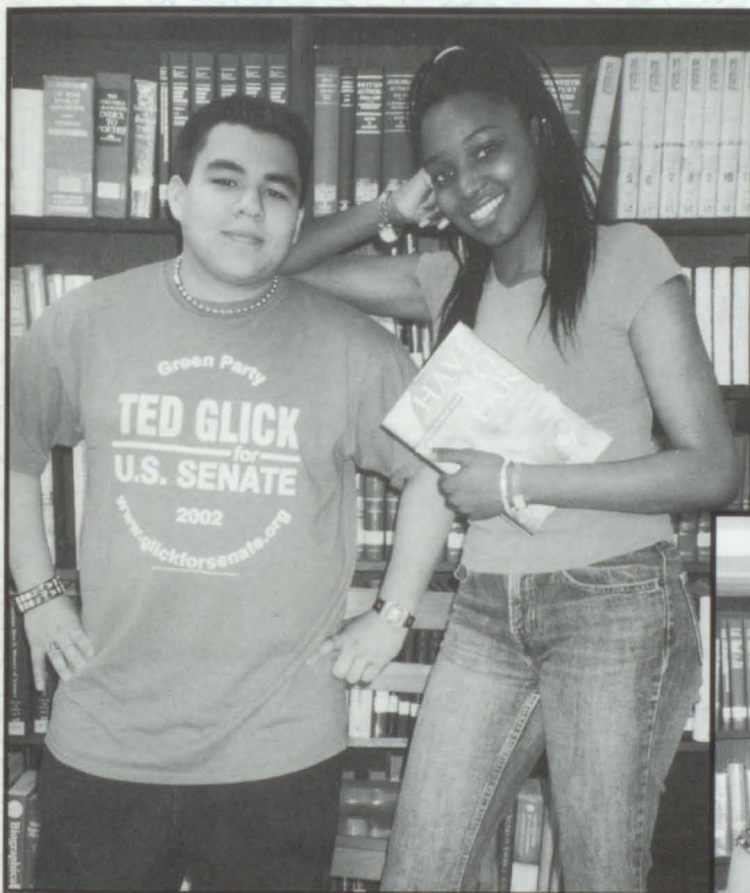
Marcos Bayas
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Most Studious



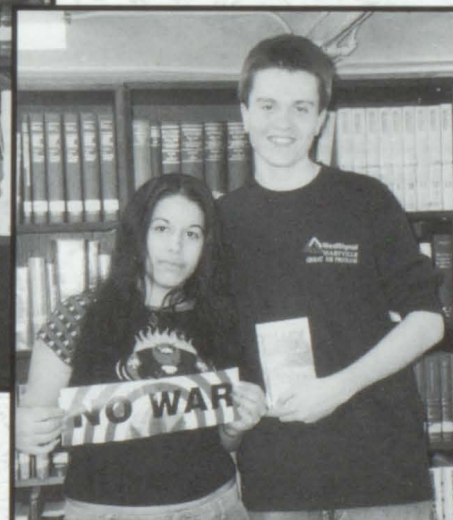
Most Political



Victor Monterrosa
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Janelle Poindexter

Marco Almeida
&
Juliyah Litichevskaya

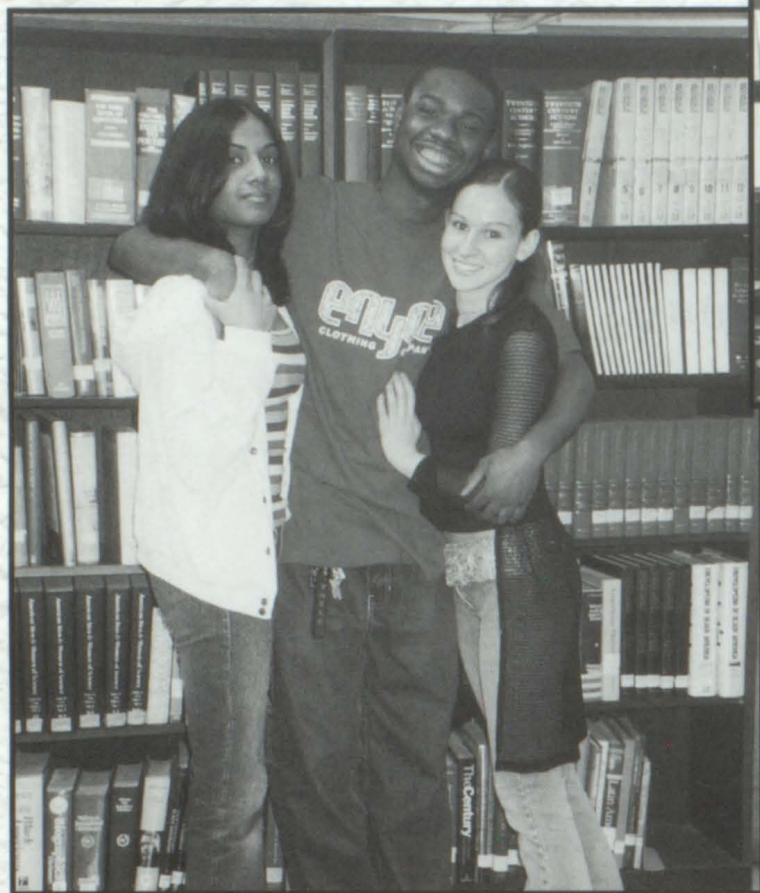
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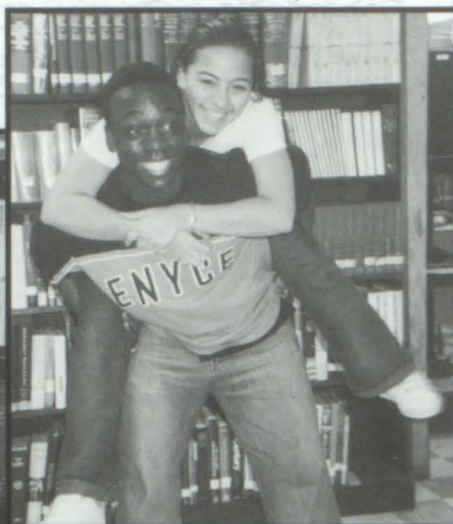
PEOPLE'S CHOICES.....

Class Clowns



Steven Stover,
Mary Kusen &
Lisa Bhoaj

Runners up



WoddyThelusma
&
Allie Marques

Best Dressed



Raynard Joe &
Diane Araujo

Runners up



Stephon Dextra
&
Quiera Evans

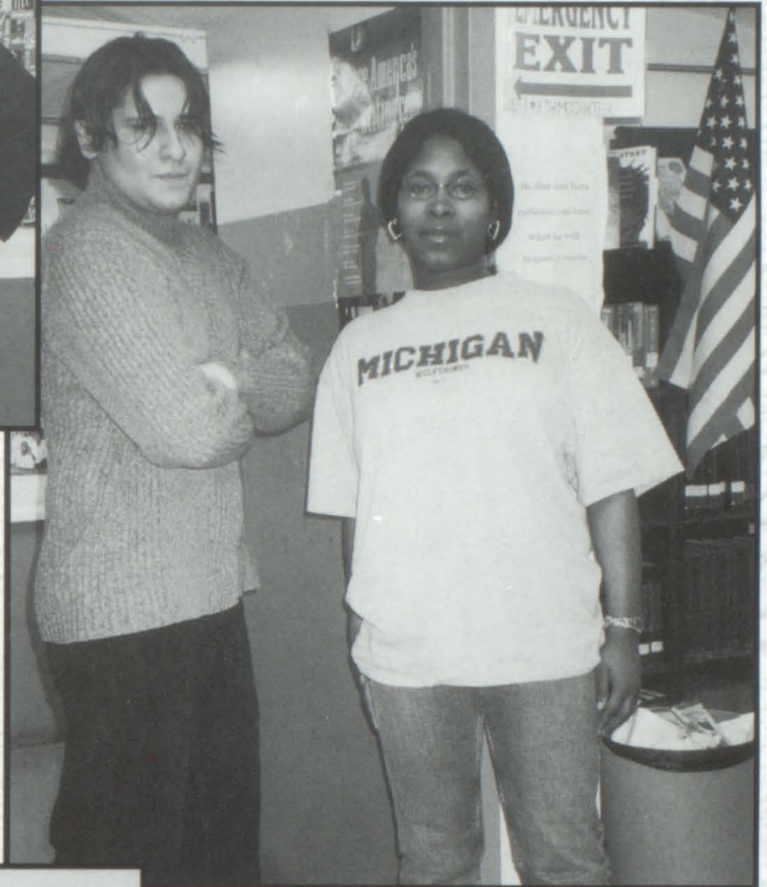
PEOPLE'S CHOICES

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Jamie Rodriguez
&
Shakiira Stevens

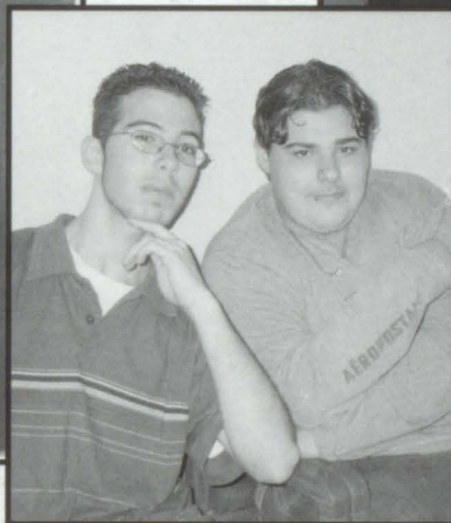
Most Quiet



Most Artistic



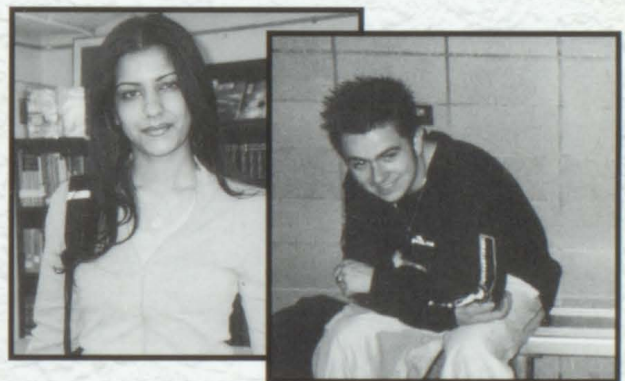
LaNessa Davis



Frank Muniz &
David Figueiredo

Bryant Marroquin
&
Tiffany Harp

Runners up



Dawid Dabrowski
&
Marium Tareen



Travis
Williams

The Perfect Science High School Woman

Best Eyes



Crystal Robinson

Best Smile



Kandi Berryman

Best Legs



Vania Marques

Best Abs



Tena Rivera

Best Hair



Kiiiana Askew

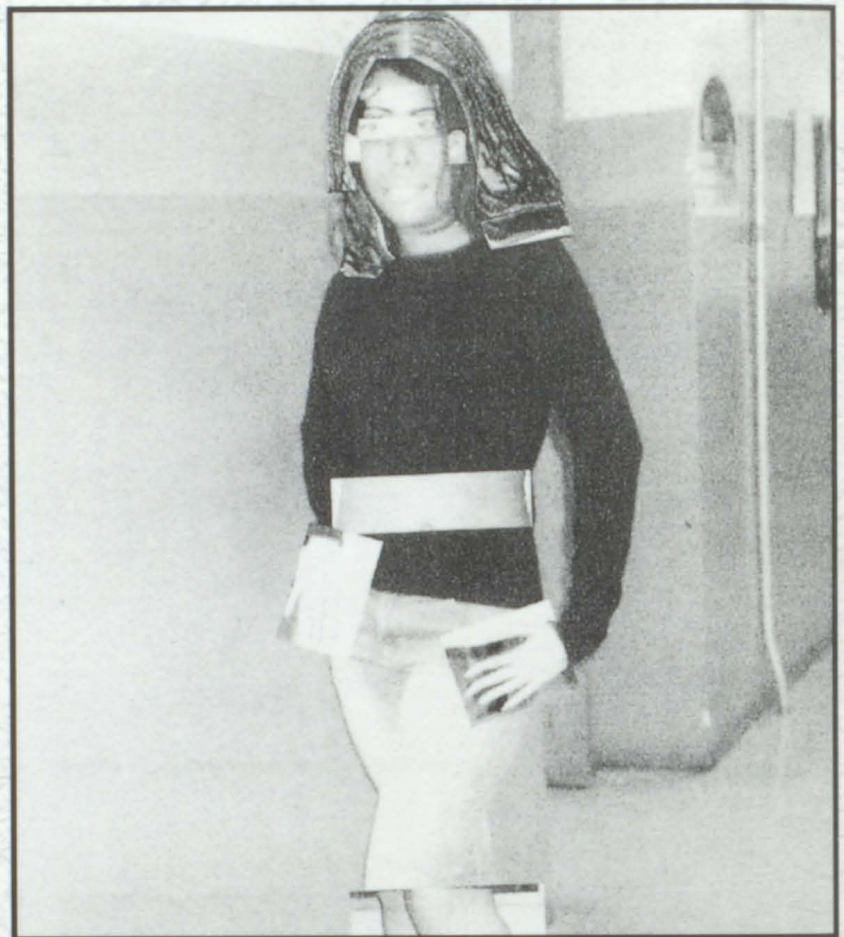
Best Nose



Vanessa Soares

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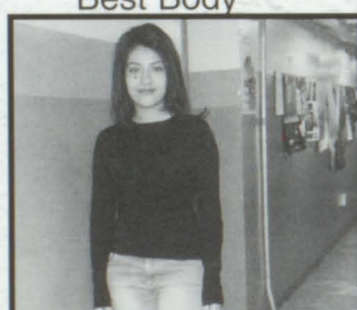


Best Ears



Mary Kusen

Best Body



Erika Vela

Best Eyebrows



Marium Tareen

Best Hands



Rhea Bernard

The Perfect Science High School Man

Best Eyes



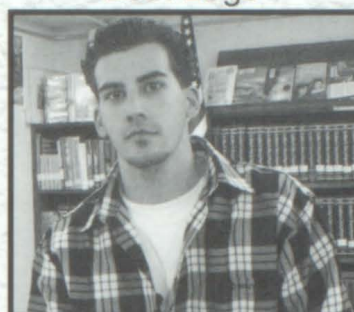
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Best Smile



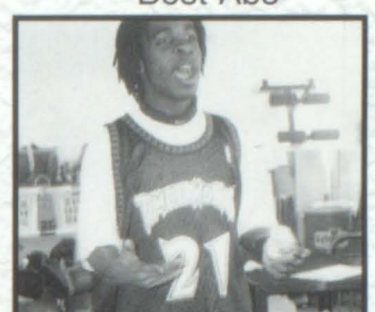
Nathaniel Taylor

Best Legs

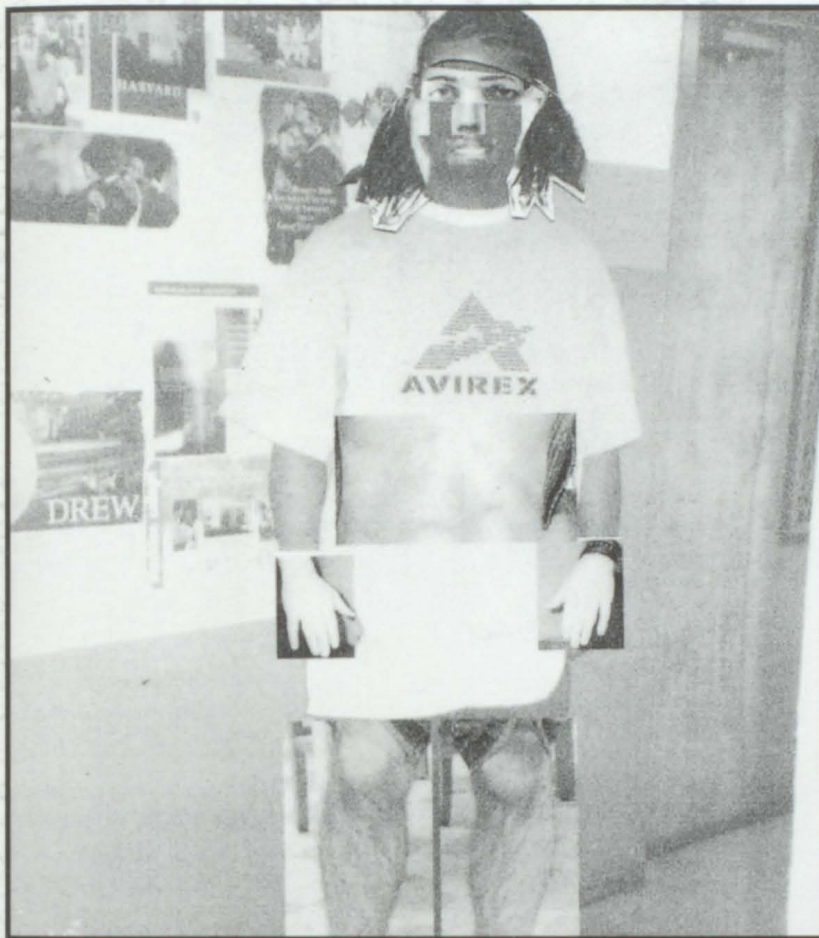


Michael Moura

Best Abs



Stephon Dextra



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Best Hair



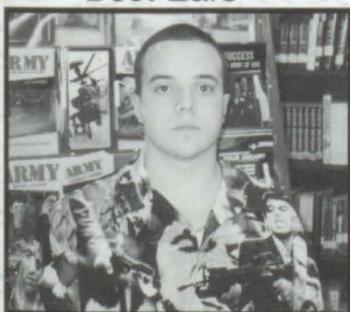
Randy Mitchell

Best Nose



Joey Pinho

Best Ears



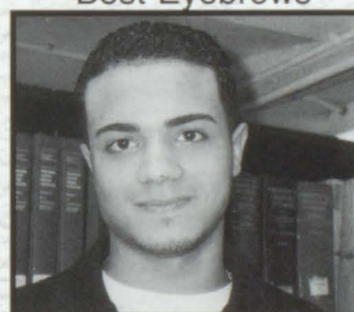
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Best Eyebrows



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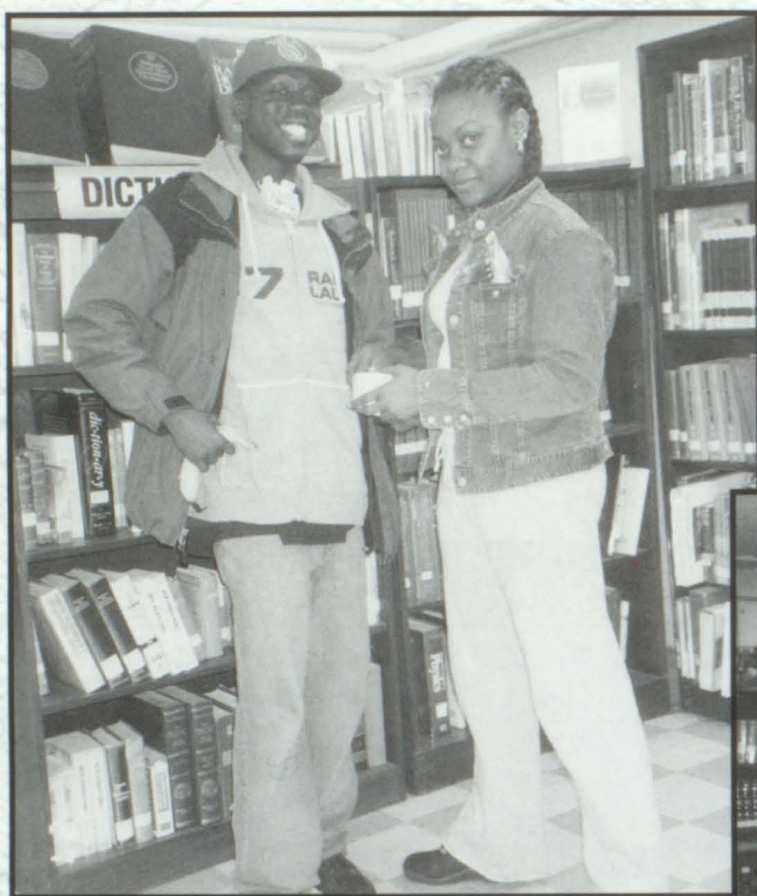
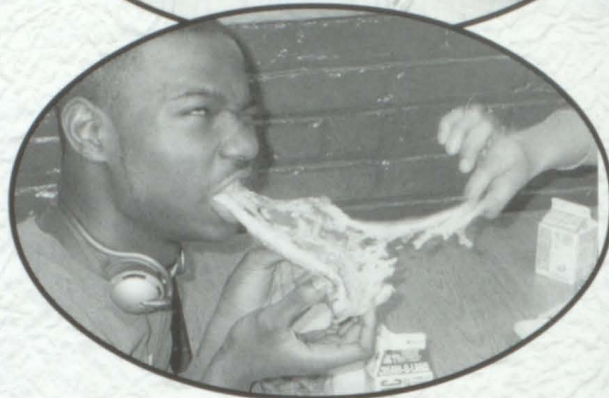
Best Hands



Ziggy Sikora



Most Likely to be Caught Eating

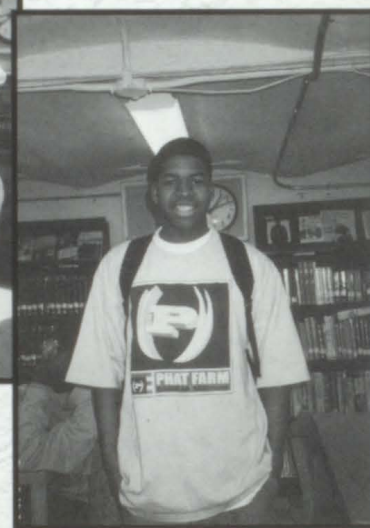


Woody Thelusma
&
Khafat Odunfa

Runners up



Cristina Johnson &
Larry Carmant



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED:

CLASS OF 3 2006



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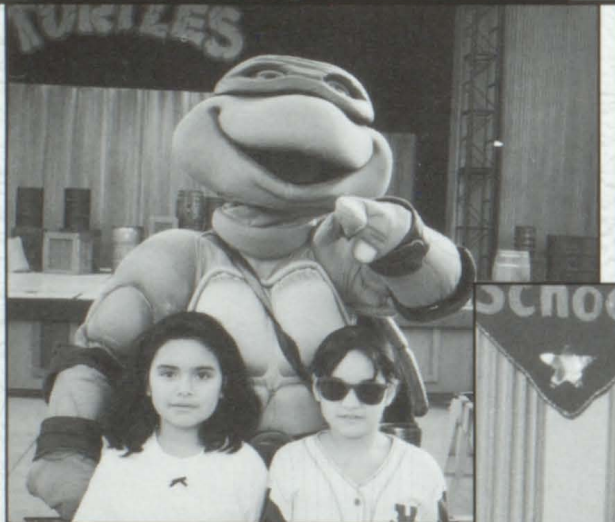


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THROUGH THE YEARS..... **B.C. (Before Science)**

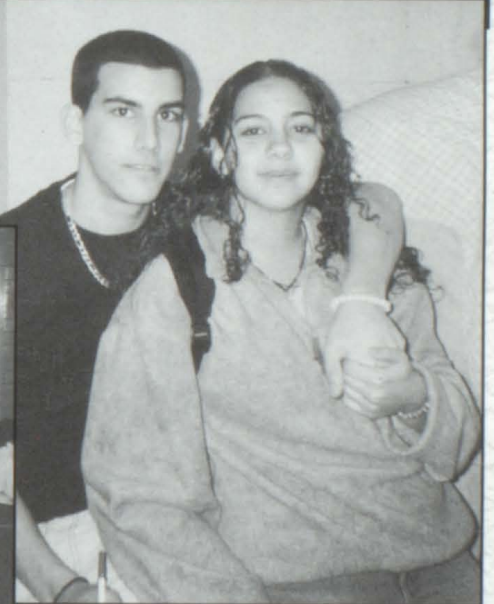
4--Years at a Glance
by Pamela Daniels

Encapsulate a day...
Embody a time...
Testify revaelations...
Within the medium of this rhyme.



1999-2000

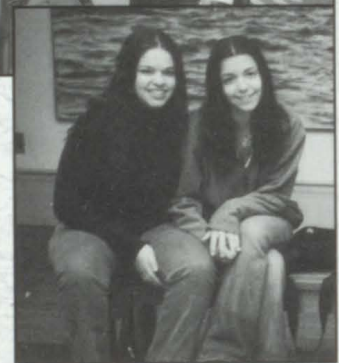
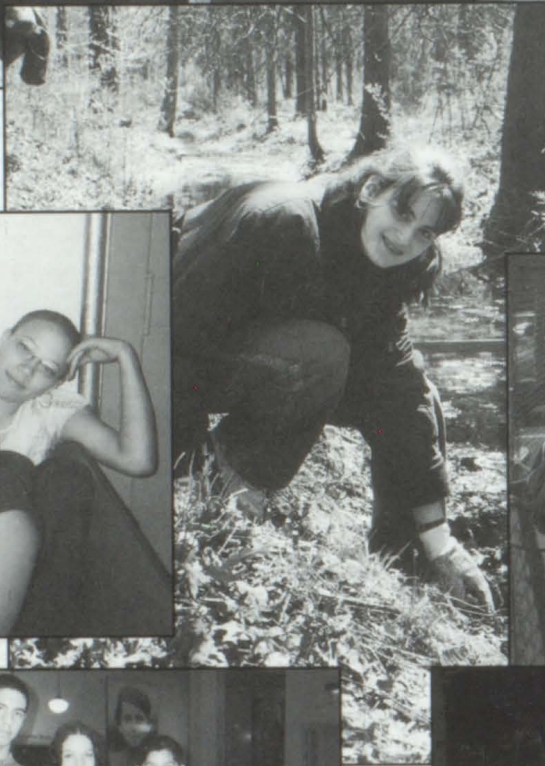
THROUGH THE YEARS.....



September '99...That's where it all began...The semester we were introduced...to Gaylord, Pellerito, and Hand. Running through the hallways...Sharing the locker rooms too...So much havoc to create...Yet not enough time to do. June was met with screams...Of hollering and much cheer... The one hundred and seventy of us...Made it through our freshman year.

THROUGH THE YEARS.....

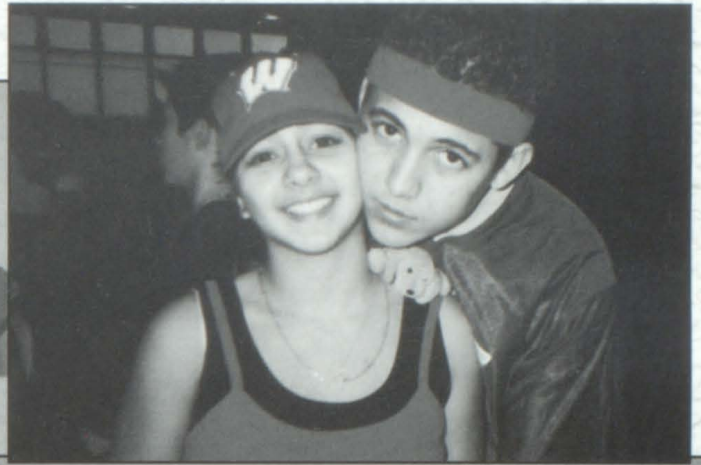
2000-2001



So we thought we were experienced...We knew what high school was all about...But Gaylord fixed us real quick.--Via a comment made with a shout..."Y'all don't know nothing...You ain't no Pre--Madonna...Every section of ya sophomores...Don't know how to use a comma!" So humble we became...We quietly wrote in our journals...And we practiced linguistic mechanics on end...Which honestly felt eternal...But we made it through that year...Well one hundred seven of us kept our composure...Because we appreciated the lessons we were being taught...The attitude and received exposure.

2001-2002

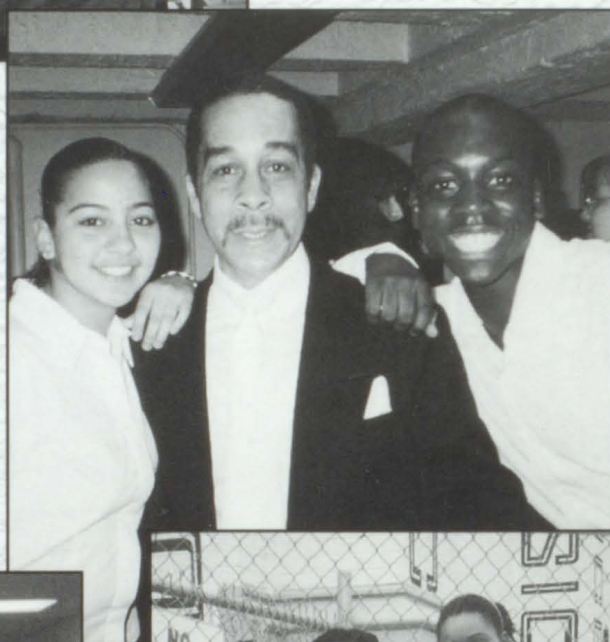
THROUGH THE YEARS.....



Last year's pep-rally: "Junior's!" our signs shouted...We shouted that all around...But then we realized it was the incorrect spelling of the word...And we never lived that down!

THROUGH THE YEARS.....

2001-2002



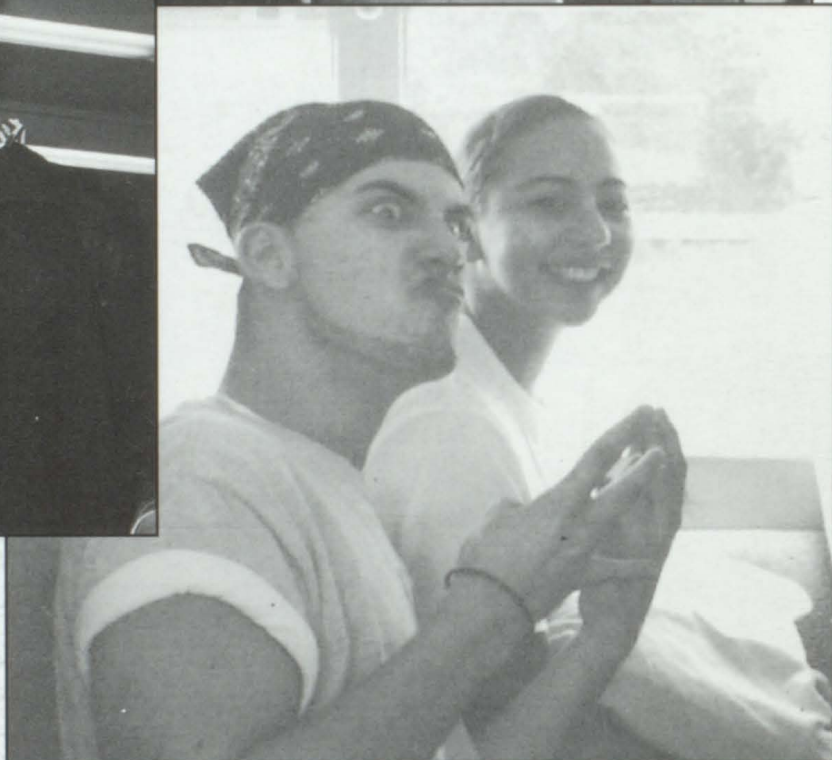
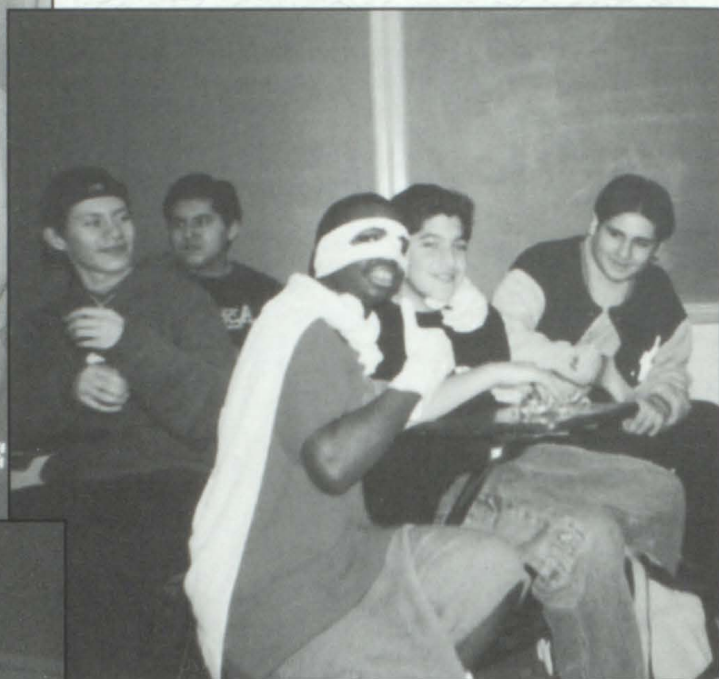
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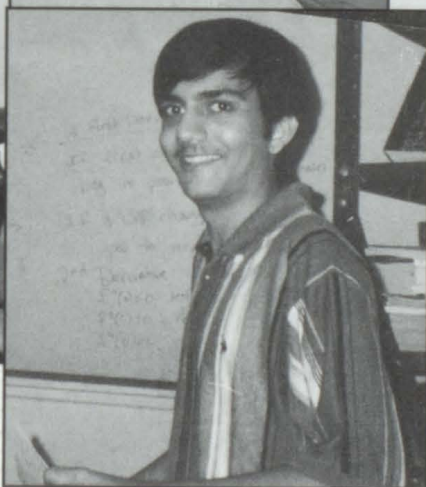
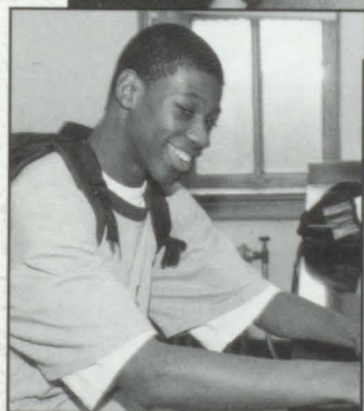
2002-2003



Less embarrassing moments...Have presented themselves to us seniors...But the year is young, as you know..And "mature" still isn't our demeanor.

2002-2003

THROUGH THE YEARS.....



English is kicking our butts...But steadfast we remain...The fashion show is coming along...All thanks to Ms. Germain. Prom is fast approaching...So

THROUGH THE YEARS.....

2002-2003



the chicks are all excited...When you take a trip to the boy's side of town...They keep on trying to fight it. Mrs. Hand is still snatching fitteds...She'll probably have a sale on her lawn...However, there will be uproar from one kid...See most of them belong to Stephon.

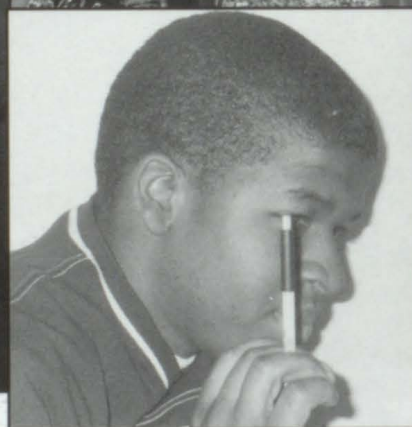
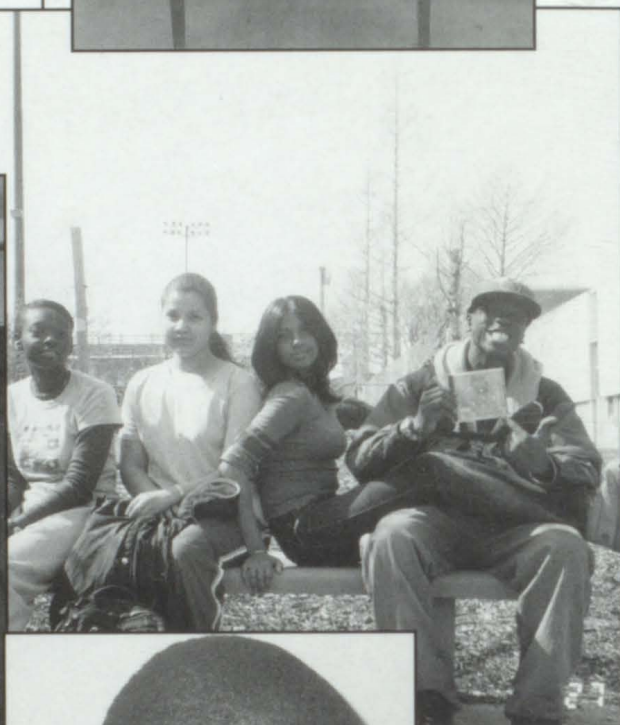
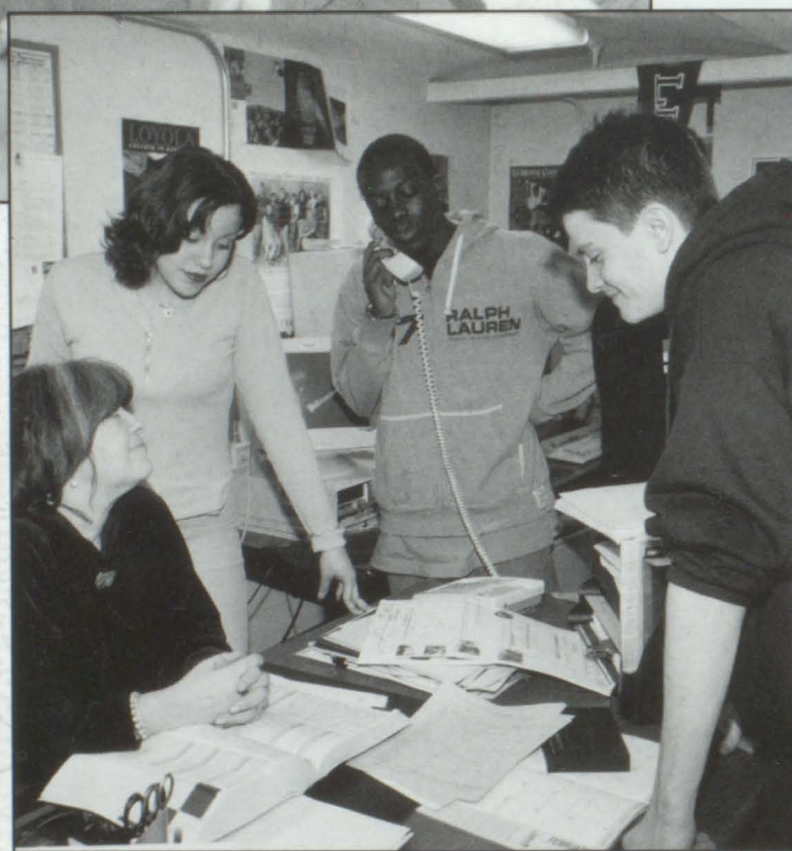
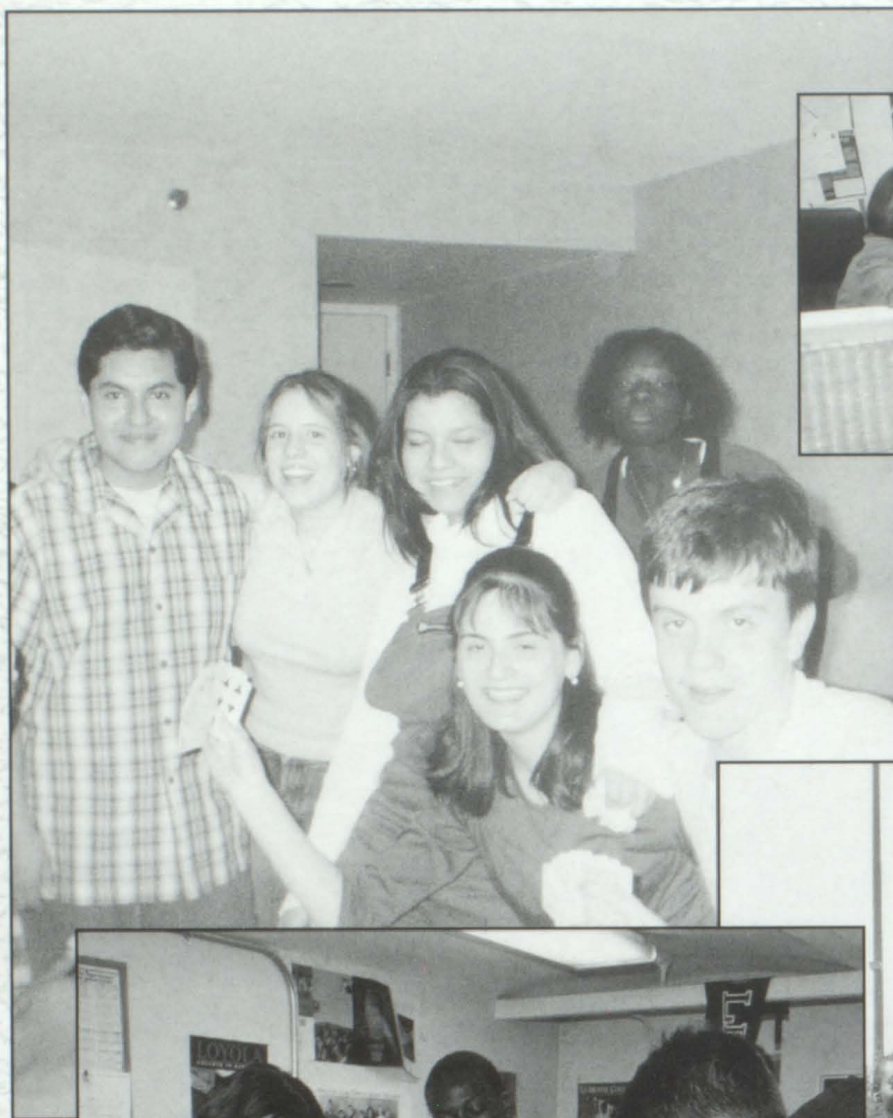
2002-2003

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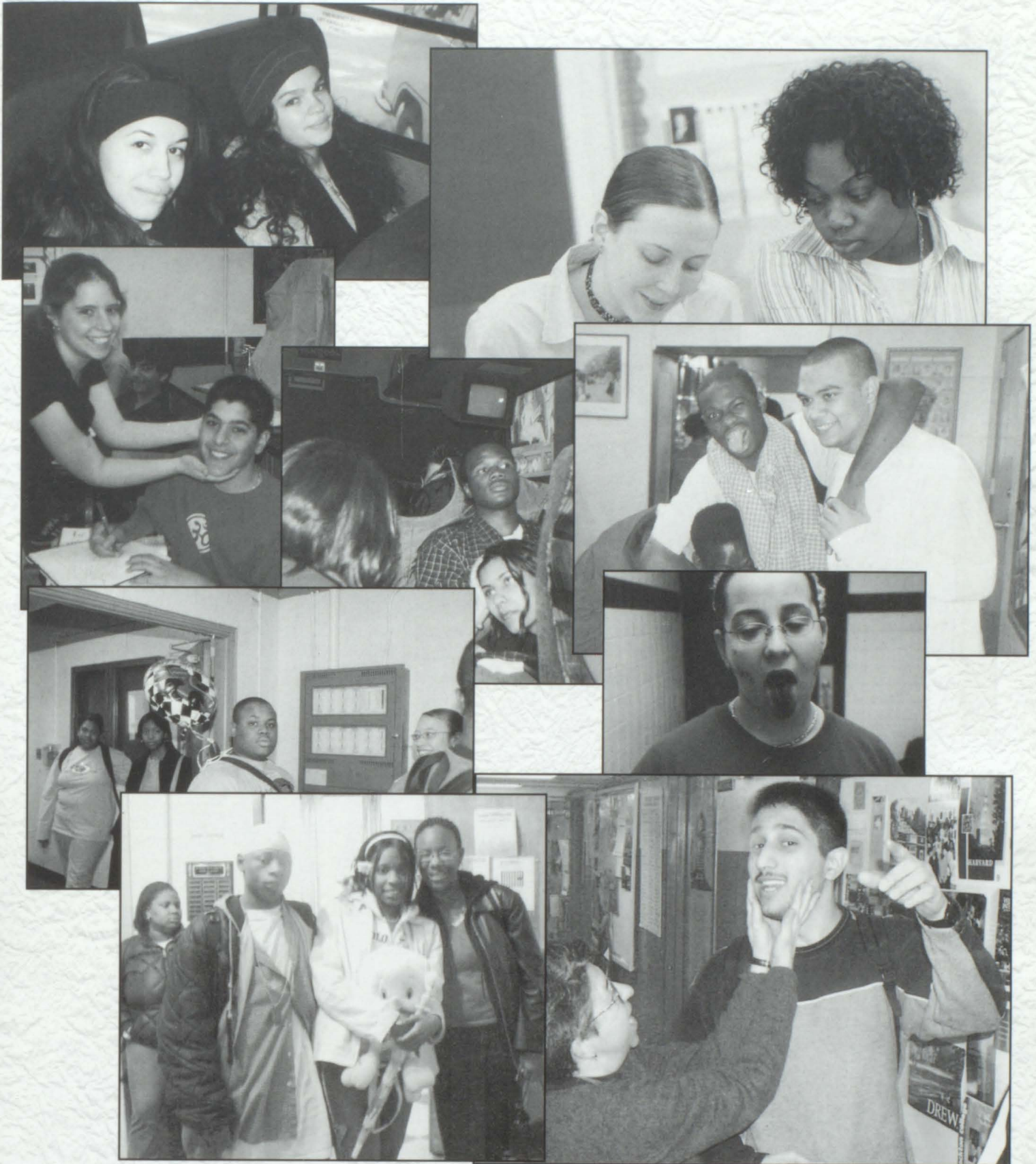
Mr. Willis and Mrs. Taylor...Have remained the cool figures that they are...Advice to the underclassmen: Charm will get you very far!

With an Eye Toward the Future.....



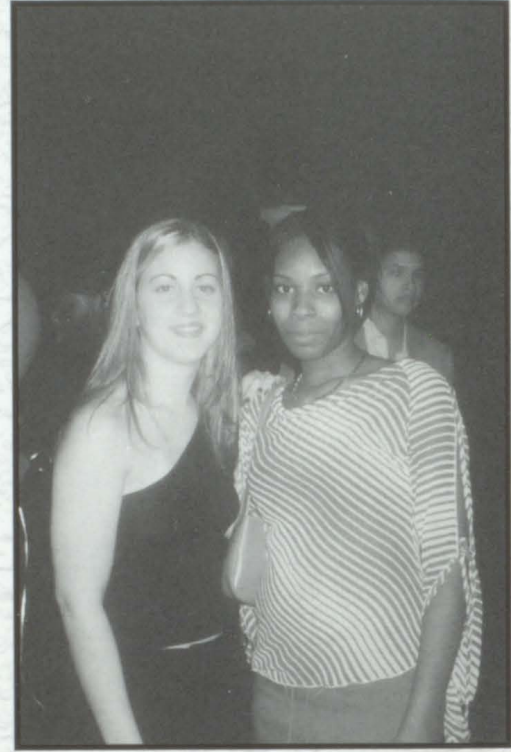
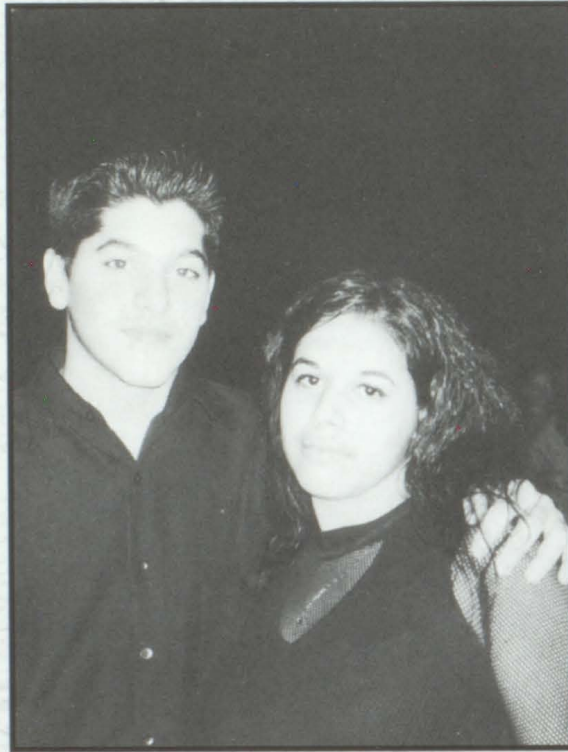
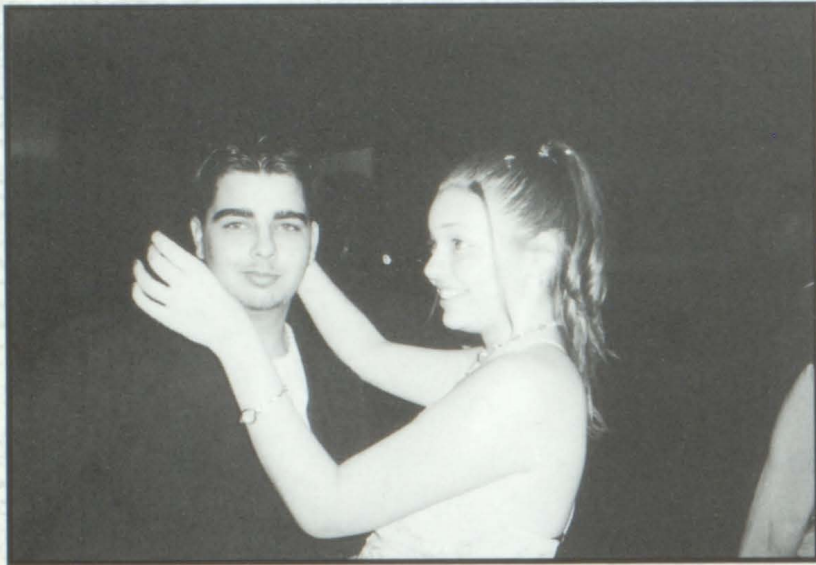
So four years at a glance...At a school whose rep is fleeting...Not that bad of an experience...Except when it came to those yearbook meetings...Mrs. Pellerito--tiny in stature...But don't take that nature in vain...Her attitude when

.....With an Eye Toward the Future

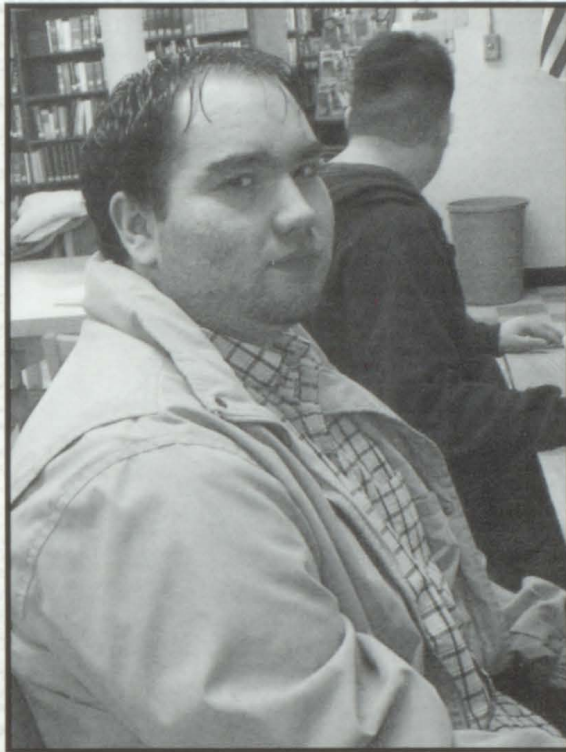
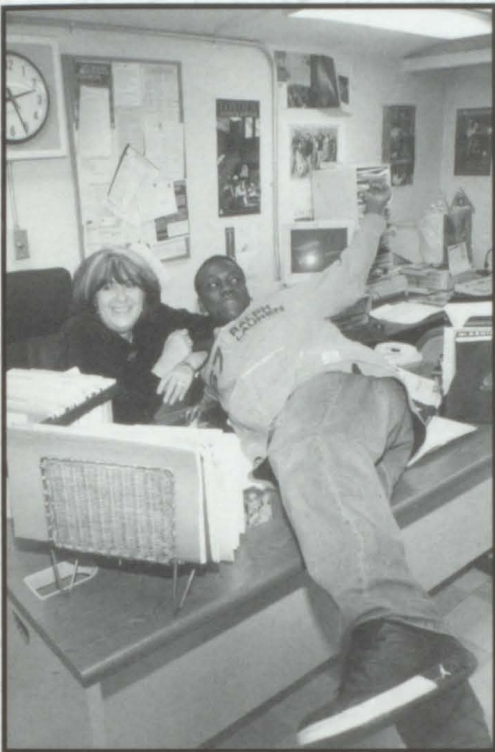
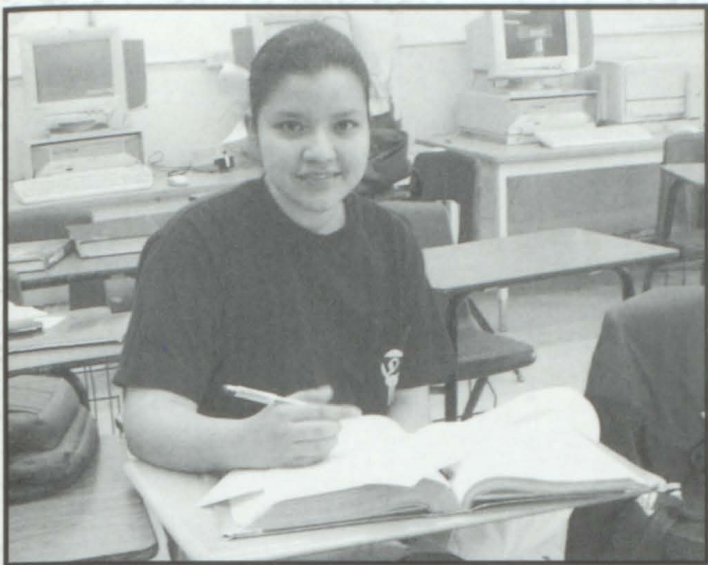


she's p***ed at her committee...That woman goes totally insane!
Freshy, sophomore, junior, Senior...That's seven hundred twenty days...No matter
the fights, teachers or the tears...I wouldn't have spent them any other way!

Remembering the good times.....



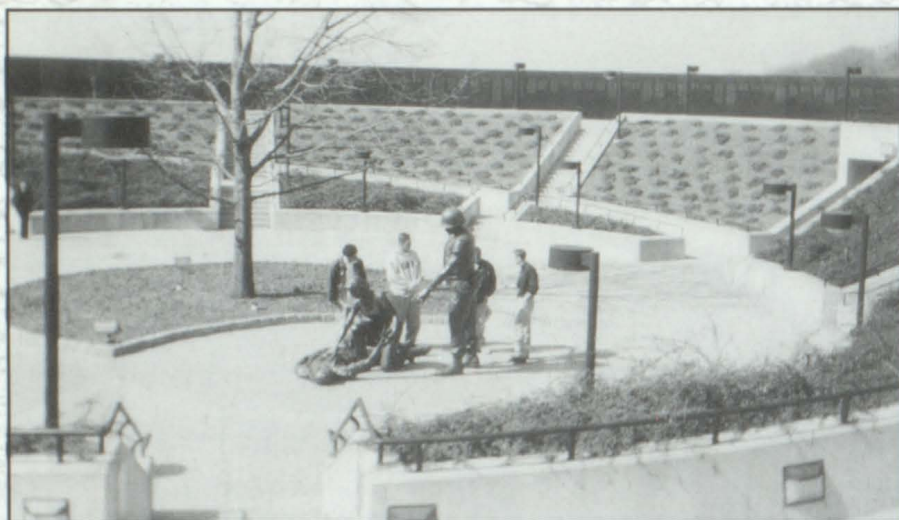
.....Remembering the good times



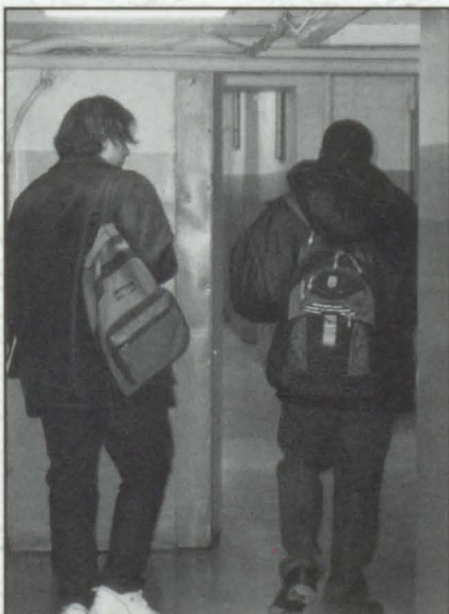
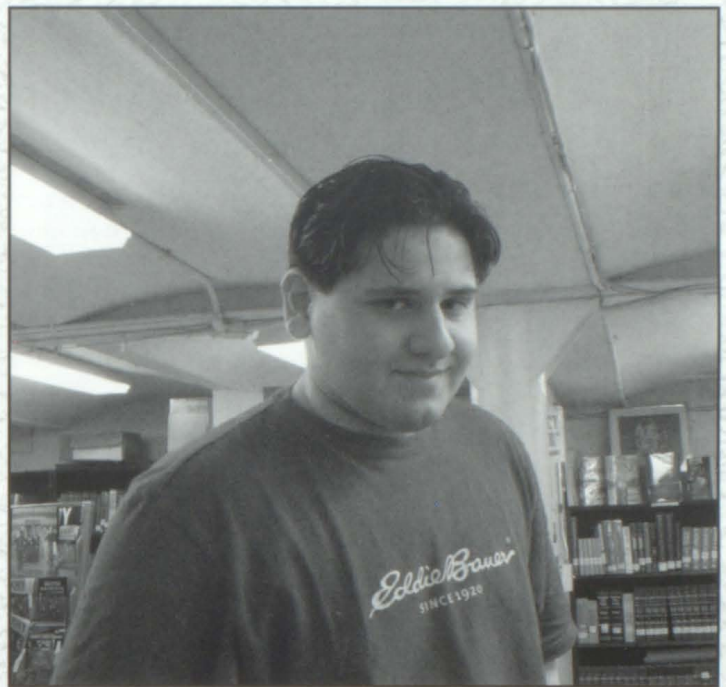
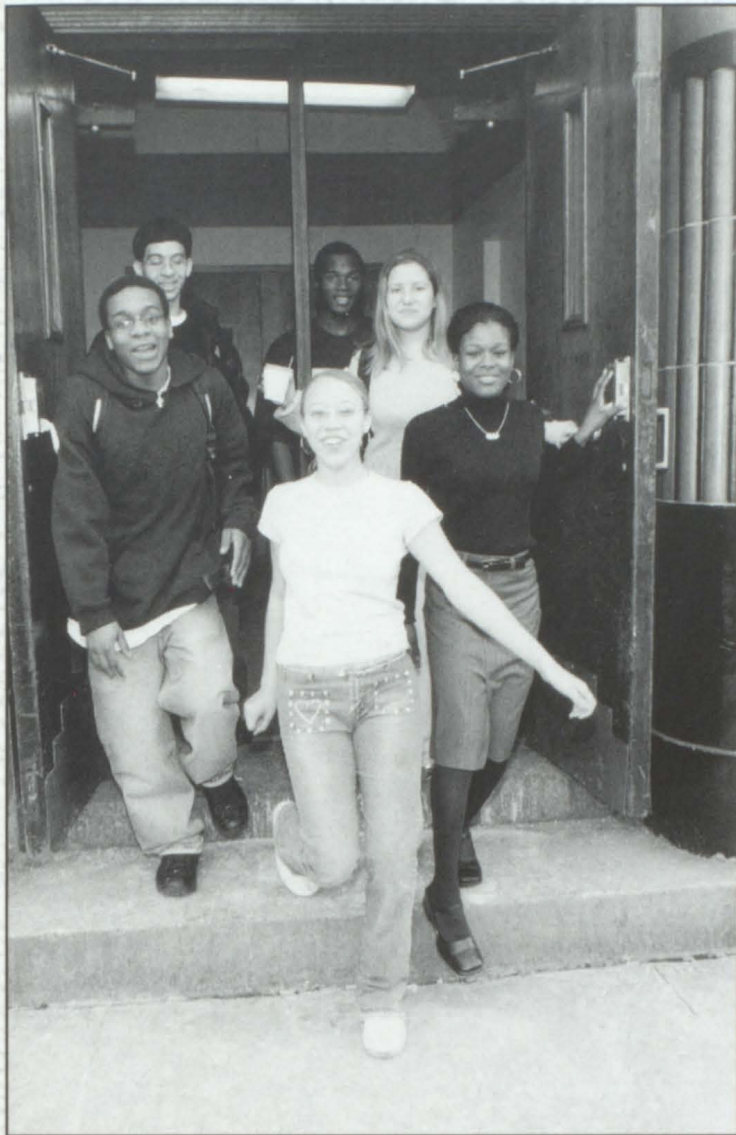
A TIME FOR REFLECTION

A VISIT TO THE NEW JERSEY VIETNAM VETERANS' MEMORIAL

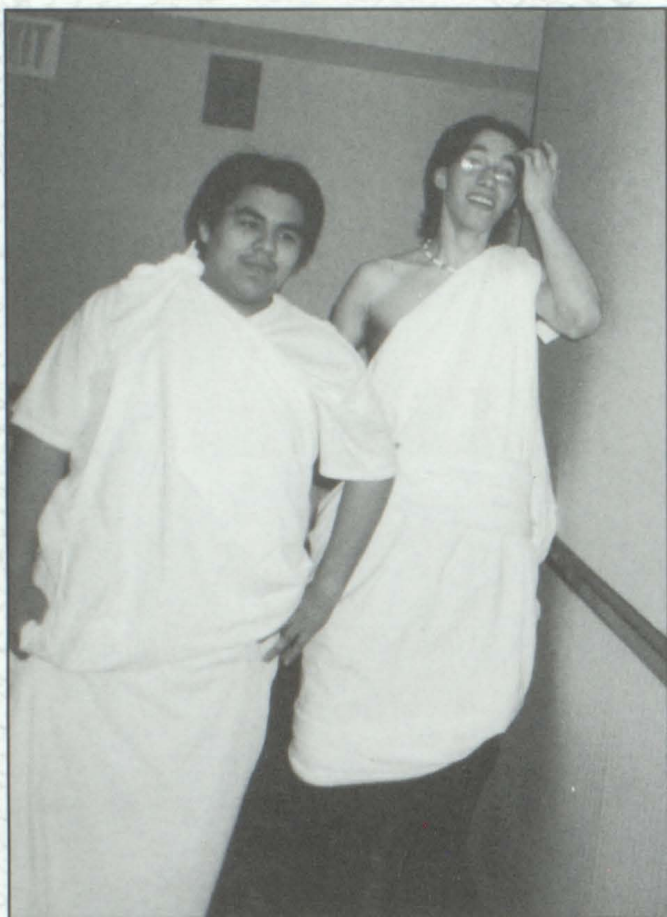
On March 23rd, Mrs. Jackson's Advanced Placement English class, along with Mr. McMahon's Honors U.S. History II class, took a trip to the NJ Vietnam Veterans' Memorial and Education Center. The purpose of this trip was to give the students further insight into the Vietnam Era, both at home and overseas. The visit was part of a PBL activity entitled, "War: What is it good for?" The students came away with a better understanding of war and its long-term effects on society and the individual. A tour guide at the memorial, himself a veteran of the Vietnam War, lead the tour, which included the wall with etched with the names of the 1565 citizens of NJ who were killed in action or missing in action, most of whom were between the ages of 18 and 20. The memorial is structured to accommodate people who are walking and those on wheelchairs, crossing paths to bring forth unity and brotherhood. More interestingly, the entrance of the memorial was constructed in the shape of a teardrop, symbolizing all the tears that were shed for our fallen angels. The design of the memorial itself represents the transformation from home to the battlefield. Upon entering the wall site, we see a sculpture of a fallen Hispanic soldier with a chest wound, a nurse attending him, and an African-American soldier extending his hand to the wounded soldier, representing the unity and camaraderie of the soldiers. The Education Center is complete with a timeline of the pre-, mid-, and post-Vietnam War era. There we also viewed letters written by the soldiers themselves, an experience which brought us visitors to tears. A video of the interviews with Veterans was a culmination of this very sobering experience.



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ing. Take It To Heart
And God Will Help
You Achieve It.
Love
Auntie Gin



Vera

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Mom, Dad, Ricardo, And Jessica

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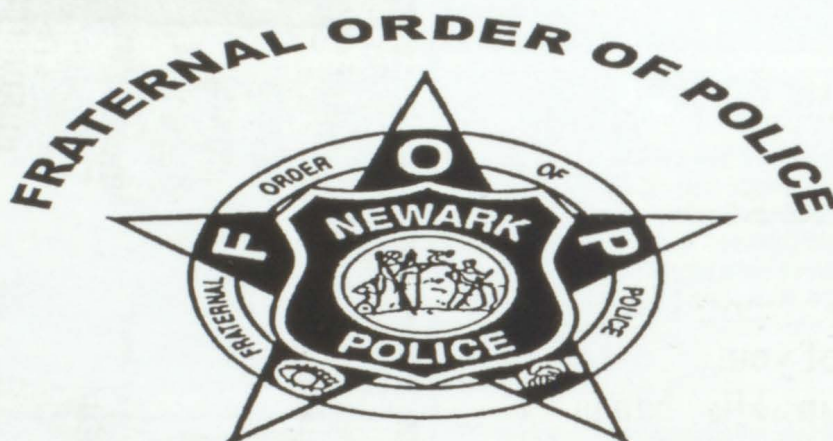
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Mrs. Pontoriero (Ms. Sousa)

TO
MICHAEL SPADAVECCHIA
& THE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2003!



BEST WISHES FROM THE DARPINOS...
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ASHLEY & 'LIL D



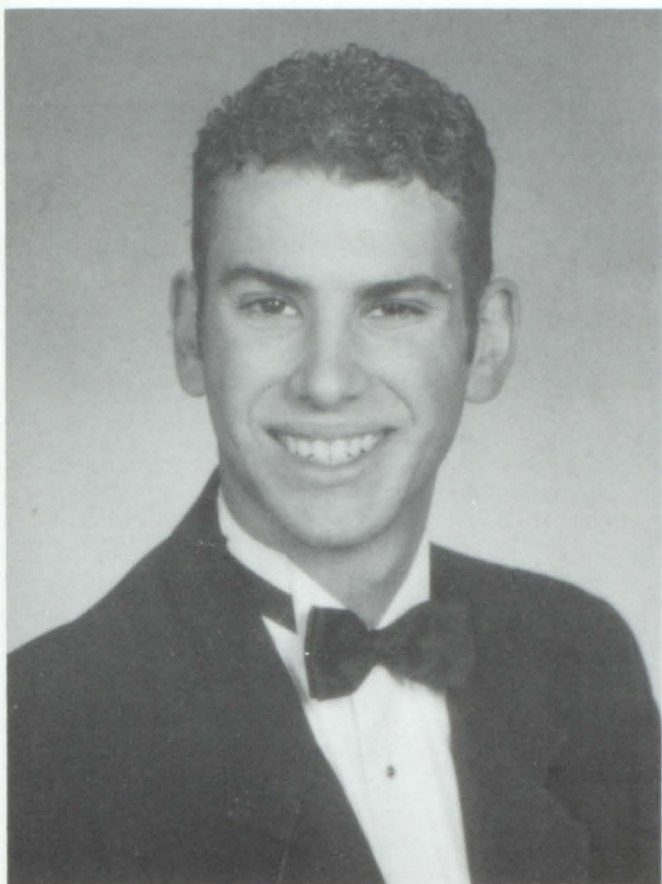
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you have given us many proud moments.
Always follow your dreams with our support
and love.
We love you,*

Dad, Mom & Ray

Congratulations Ki-Ki—

Keep up the good work. I
Am very proud of you.
God has you in His hands. I
know your Grandfather is proud
of you, too, and he's smiling
down on you.
Love, Grandma



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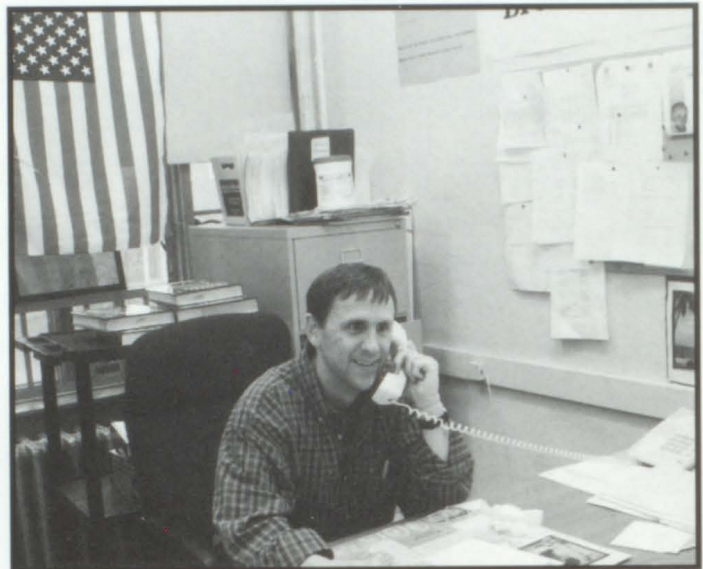
Teachers who fill the mind
and nurture the soul

FOUND



The Little Leprechaun, Mr. O'Neal, is one of the most amazing people I have had the privilege of encountering in my very young life. You have inspired me in ways unnumbered. I could never fully thank-you for everything you have done for me. I remembered freshman year. I walked into World History thinking that I was going to sit through another boring course of Social Studies. That was never the case. It was because of you that I realized where my passion was and what the driving force in my life would be. I want to be an archaeologist, and that is fueled by my love of history. You are unlike many teachers that I have ever seen. The lessons never stop in the classroom because you have made yourself available to us in times of need, and it is no wonder that while searching through yearbooks, many students praise you for inspiring them. Thank you for providing me with the desire to "dig dirt" and uncover the mysteries of the past. You have believed in my ability to succeed, and that pushes me to make something of myself. I want to make your statements about me true. I hope that in my life I can acquire and surpass the knowledge that you have. Through your teachings, I have become a person, and I shall always hold you dear in my thoughts and heart. I will always appreciate the knowledge and passion you have provided me with. From the inner core of my soul, I thank you.

Sincerely,
Melinda Gonzalez



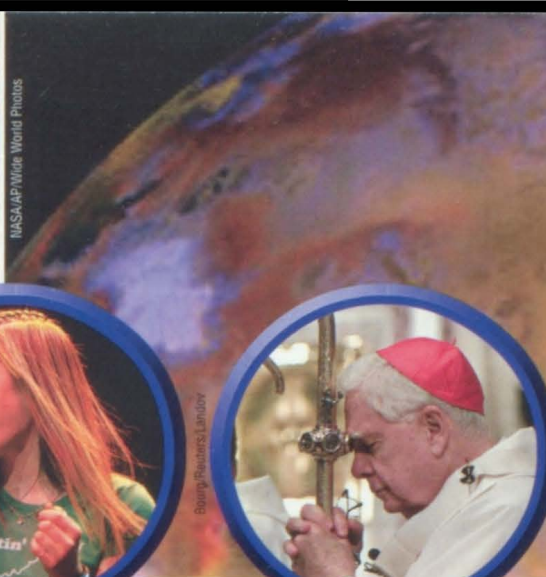
"How ya doin' buddy?" This is Mr. MacMahon of course. He's more than just a History Teacher but actually a friend to everyone. If you've never had him as a teacher, you've got to know his extraordinary smile. Mr MacMahon may give a lot of notes, but listening to his lectures are the best. It's all about history when it comes to Mr. MacMahon; when you step into his class. He makes his students his priorities and will go an extra mile to make his students' days better. Mr. MacMahon treats us as human beings and not objects to be filled with education. -LaNessa



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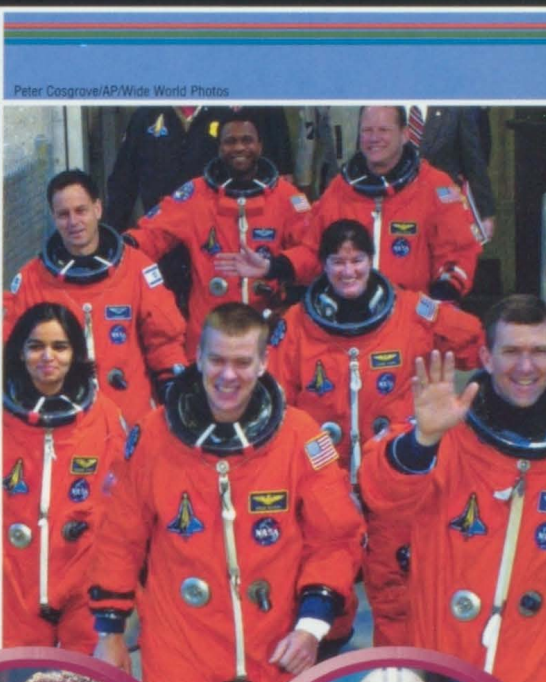
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➤ U2's humanitarian lead singer Bono visits Africa and tours Midwestern America to raise awareness and support for African AIDS epidemic relief.

➤ Nuclear crisis arises when North Korean leader Kim Jong Il breaks a 1994 pledge with the United States not to build nuclear weapons.



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WORLD

➤ U.N. inspectors return to Iraq to investigate Saddam Hussein's alleged production of weapons of mass destruction.

IRAQ



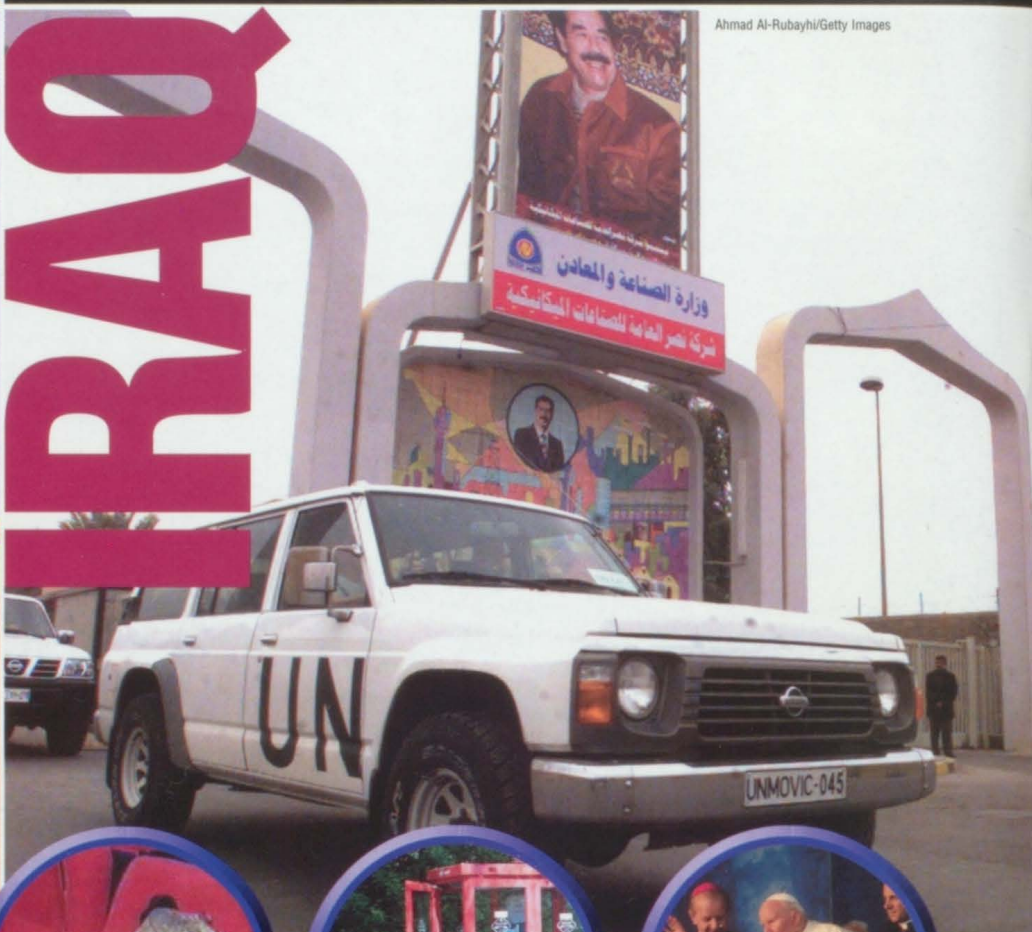
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➤ A Halloween earthquake in San Giuliano di Puglia, Italy, topples an elementary school, killing dozens of children.

➤ China's one-child-per-family policy creates an imbalanced boy-to-girl ratio that will result in tens of millions of men finding themselves single in the year 2020.



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➤ In October, a Moscow theater siege by Chechen rebels ends in a Russian special forces raid that kills the captors and at least 129 hostages.



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➤ Thousands die as storms and floods cause billions of dollars in damage in China and many countries across Europe.



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➤ Pope John Paul II travels to Toronto's Downsview Park in July to lead the World Youth Day vigil.

- ▼ The Miss World beauty pageant leaves Nigeria after Islamic fundamentalist protest groups kill more than 100 people.

- ▼ In Venezuela, an opposition strike demanding President Hugo Chavez's resignation paralyzes the country's oil exports and turns to bloodshed as Chavez supporters retaliate.

- ▼ The oil tanker *Prestige* spills more than 5 million gallons of oil off the northwestern coast of Spain before splitting in two and sinking.

- ▼ Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter receives the Nobel Peace Prize for his decades of work for peace, democracy and human rights worldwide.



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- ▼ Over 100 people, mostly foreign tourists, are killed in an October terrorist bombing of two nightclubs in Bali, Indonesia.



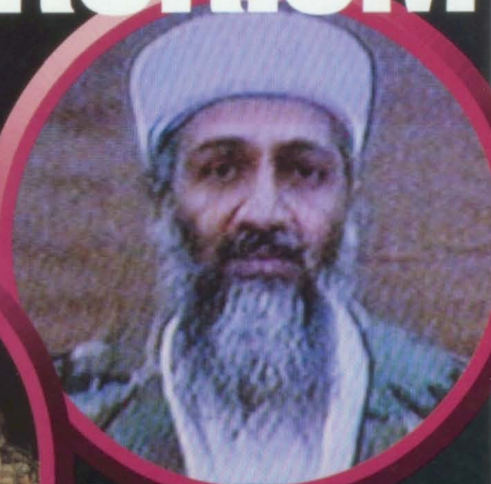
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- ◀ Emergency workers in the United States and overseas receive smallpox vaccinations as a preventative measure against bioterrorism.

WAR ON TERRORISM

- Once presumed dead, Al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden returns to Middle Eastern air waves with recorded anti-American threats.

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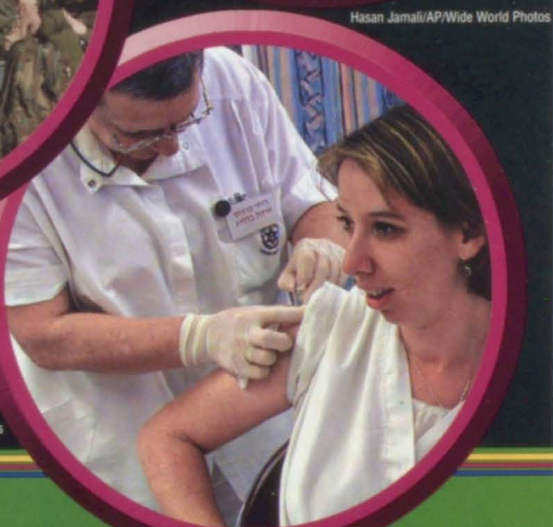


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- In an effort to eliminate Al-Qaeda, the United States continues its war on terrorism by maintaining a steady military presence in Afghanistan.

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➤ After being subpoenaed to testify before a Massachusetts grand jury about sex abuse among Catholic priests, embattled Boston Cardinal Bernard Law resigns.

➤ More than 25 states implement the Amber Alert System, which posts information about abducted children on TV and interstate signs, leading to the recovery of dozens of children nationwide.



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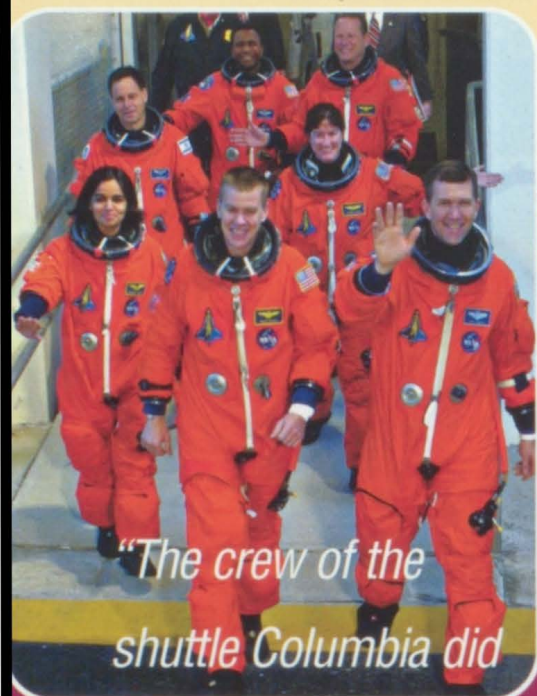
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NATIONAL

➤ For weeks in October, alleged snipers John Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo terrorize Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia, randomly killing 10 people and injuring three others.

✓ The space shuttle Columbia breaks apart on reentry into the Earth's atmosphere, killing all seven astronauts aboard.

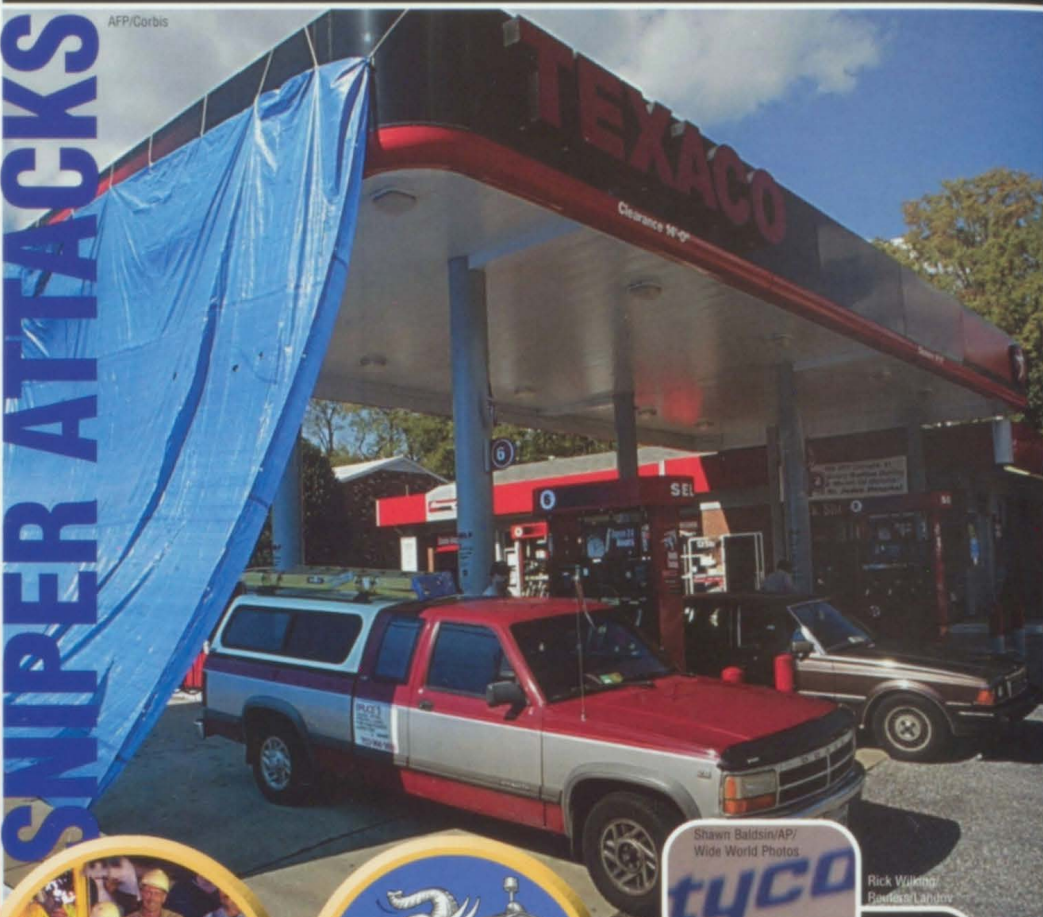
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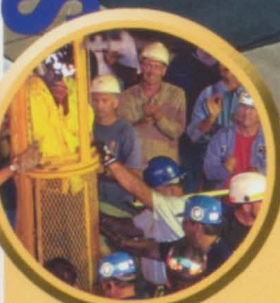
"The crew of the shuttle Columbia did not return safely to Earth, but we can pray they are safely home."

— President George W. Bush

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➤ On July 28, nine Pennsylvania coal miners are rescued after being trapped for three days in a mineshaft flooded with over 70 million gallons of water.



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➤ Midterm elections make history as Republicans, the party controlling the White House, gain congressional seats rather than losing them.



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➤ Several large corporations inflate profits while top executives make off with millions in accounting scandals that send shock waves through global markets.

- ▼ In October, Minnesota Senator Paul Wellstone dies in a plane crash along with his wife, daughter and five other victims.



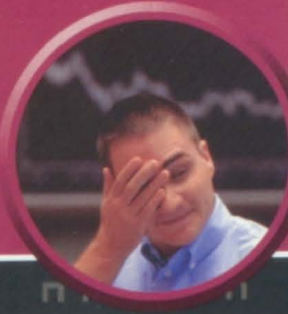
photo by Joey McLeister/Star Tribune

- ▼ Sparked by summer drought, wildfires—including one set accidentally by a forlorn forest ranger—tear across the western United States.



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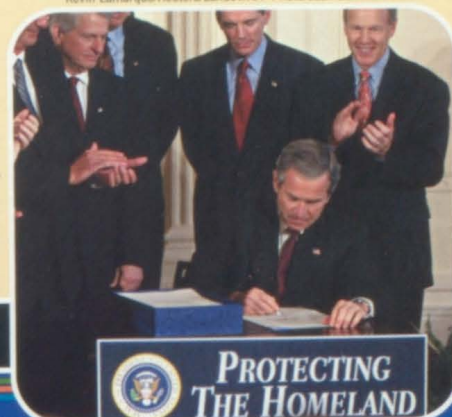
- ▼ A weakened economy repeatedly drives down interest rates and delivers retailers their worst holiday shopping season in decades.



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- ▼ President Bush signs the Homeland Security Act, officially creating a Department of Homeland Security dedicated to preventing terrorist attacks.

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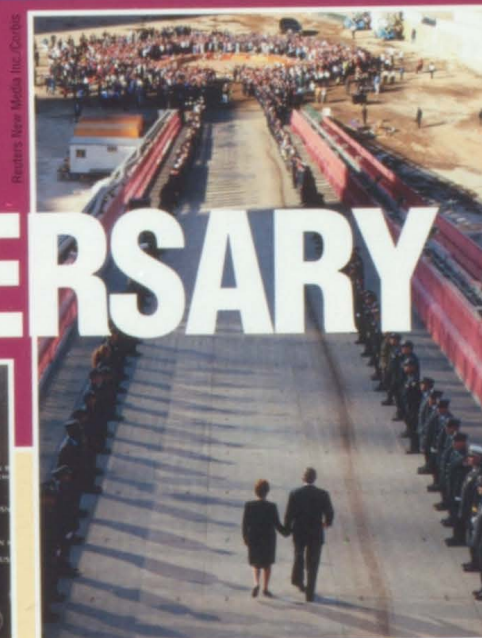


9/11 ANNIVERSARY

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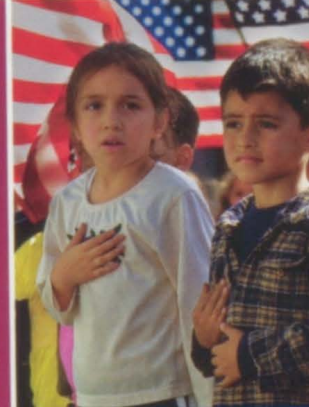
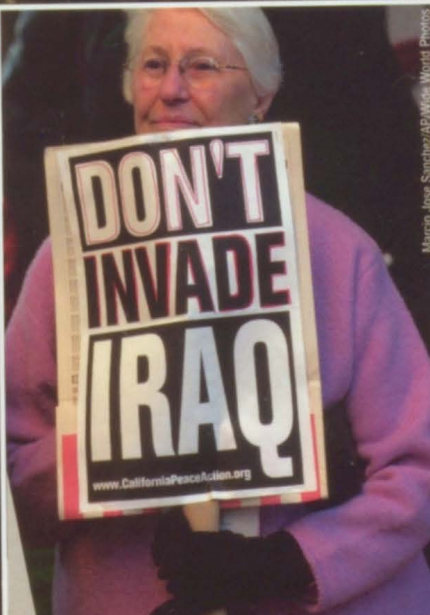
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- ▶ Throughout 2002, Americans search for ways to recover and rebuild from September 11. On the one-year anniversary, survivors, families and friends gather at all three sites to commemorate the lives lost.

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- ◀ Federal employees from the Transportation Security Administration begin screening all checked baggage and random passengers at airports.
- ◀ The possibility of the United States waging war against Iraq meets disapproval both at home and abroad.
- ▶ The U.S. Senate passes a resolution condemning a Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in schools is unconstitutional.

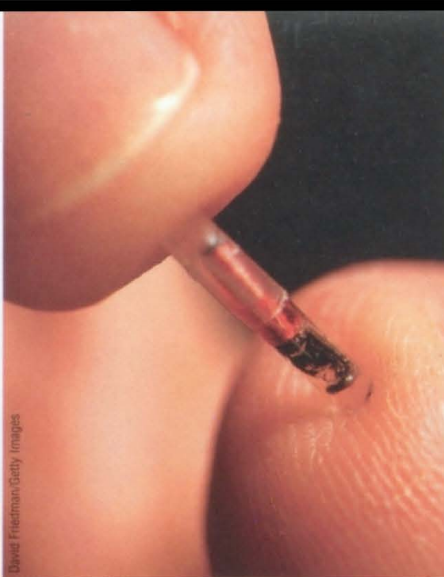
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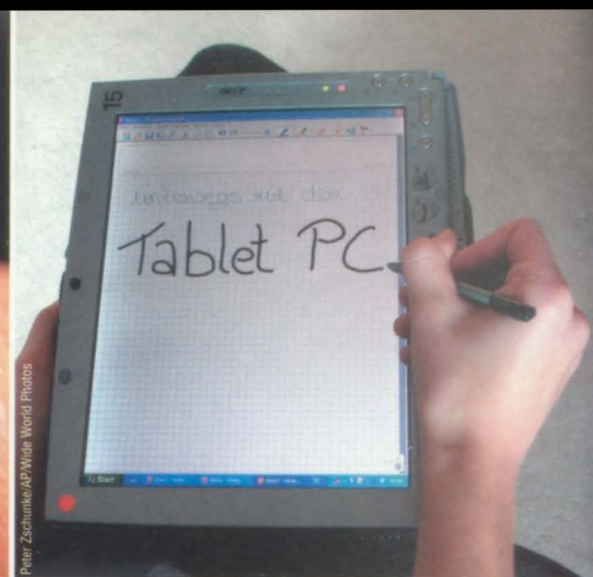
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- Patients in Florida are the first to receive the VeriChip, a computer chip bearing personal medical data that is injected into the forearm.
- Microsoft's Tablet PC enables users to write directly on the screen rather than typing on a keyboard.



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- The *Journal of the American Medical Association* reports that children who grow up with pets have a reduced risk of developing common allergies.



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ALLERGIES



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- Maria de Jesus and Maria Teresa Quiej-Alvarez, 1-year-old Guatemalan twins born joined at the head, are successfully separated after over 22 hours of surgery.

- Just before burning up in Jupiter's atmosphere, the Galileo spacecraft captures the closest shots ever taken of Jupiter's moon Io.

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- Both Italian doctor Severino Antinori and Raelian scientists at Clonaid, who believe aliens created humans, claim to have produced the first cloned human. Neither claim is proven genetically.



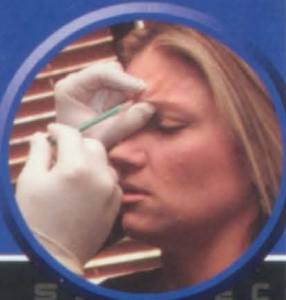
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- El Niño causes snow and ice storms up and down the East Coast, rainstorms in California and a devastating December tornado in Mississippi.



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- A blanket of pollution over South Asia, dubbed the "Asian Brown Cloud," threatens the lives of millions worldwide with respiratory disease.



▼ Early tests indicate an experimental vaccine to be 100 percent effective against the human papilloma virus that causes cervical cancer.

▼ University of Arkansas researchers discover that microorganisms grow in conditions similar to those on Mars, suggesting the planet once hosted or currently hosts life.

▼ For \$300 to \$1,000 per injection, people craving eternal youth attend BOTOX parties to inject the FDA-approved paralytic toxin into their skin to relax their muscle tissue.

▼ General Motors introduces the Hy-wire — a car powered by hydrogen and oxygen that emits heat and water rather than harmful exhaust.

WEST NILE VIRUS



◀ The nation's largest outbreak of the West Nile Virus hits in summer 2002. The disease is spread by migrating birds and transmitted by mosquitoes.

▼ The gun turret of the historic Civil War ironclad USS *Monitor* is raised from the floor of the Atlantic Ocean.



◀ President Bush orders construction of a system that would defend the United States from ballistic missile attacks by 2004.

◀ The newly discovered hunger hormone ghrelin is found to play a role in obesity by regulating what you eat and how much weight you gain.

➤ The U.S. Education Department reports that average geography scores of the nation's fourth and eighth graders, while low, have improved from 1994.

➤ Ellula introduces HotAir Speakers, a set of battery-powered, inflatable speakers that are small enough to fit in your pocket when deflated.

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LIFESTYLE

➤ Nickelodeon's "SpongeBob Squarepants" ignites imaginations across the nation and appears on store shelves on everything from slippers to suspenders.

Matthew Staver/Bloomberg News/Landov



➤ McDonald's unveils new lower-fat french fries due to the new Healthy Eating Pyramid and in response to many former patrons suing for making them overweight.

➤ 1970s peasant shirts are alive and well on runways and in school halls.

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SPONGE BOB SQUAREPANTS



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➤ The Institute of Medicine announces that maintaining health now requires one hour of exercise daily, doubling the previous recommendation.



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➤ Jewelry designers Le Ann Carlson and Denise Gaskill add style to safety with Lauren's Hope for a Cure medical ID bracelets.



Kmart Corporation

➤ Kmart rejuvenates the Joe Boxer brand with ads featuring the dancing Joe Boxer guy, Vaughn Lowery.

- Everyone from hot young movie stars to aging rock stars sports the newest fashion trend, turquoise jewelry.

Theodore Wood/Camera Press/Retna



- The cola war puts new flavors to the test, including Dr. Pepper Red Fusion, Pepsi Blue and Vanilla Coke.



- Krispy Kreme lovers start a new tradition by celebrating their vows with doughnut wedding cakes.

Courtesy Krispy Kreme



- Several companies introduce flavored water enhanced with vitamins and other nutrients.



- European fashion hits the sidewalks and clubs of the United States with retro-style bowling shoes.

- Busy singles try out speed dating, which gives couples several minutes to talk one-on-one before moving to a new partner at the next table.

Mark Gormus/Richmond Times-Dispatch/AP/Wide World Photos



SPEED DATING

- The Mohawk makes a hair-raising comeback after being donned by everyone from U.S. World Cup star Clint Mathis to actor Ryan Phillippe.

- Digital innovations include camera phones — cell phones that can transmit still and video images through mobile phone lines.

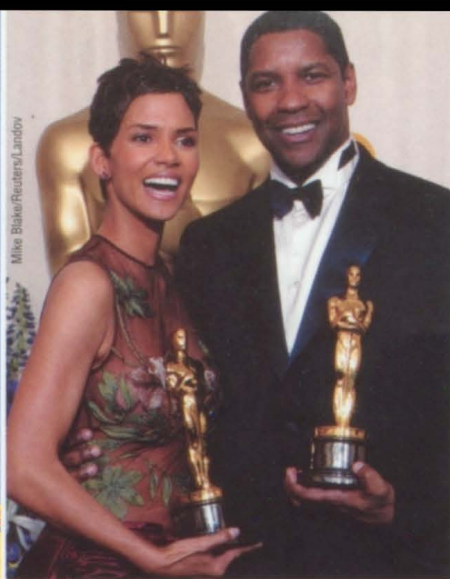
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➤ At the 2002 Academy Awards, Halle Berry and Denzel Washington win Best Actress and Best Actor Oscars. Berry is the first female African-American to win the award.

➤ *Spider-Man*, starring Tobey Maguire and Kirsten Dunst, spins a \$114 million opening weekend box-office record.



ENTERTAINMENT

➤ With over 6 million viewers, "The Osbournes" is the biggest hit in MTV's 21-year history.

OSBOURNES



➤ Ron, Harry and Hermione are back to hitting the books and battling evil forces in *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*.

➤ "The Bachelor" and "The Bachelorette" keep millions tuned in to ABC to see who will receive an on-air marriage proposal.

➤ PBS's "Sesame Street" introduces the Muppet Kami, an HIV-infected orphan, in an effort to educate young people worldwide about AIDS.



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✓ Jennifer Aniston wins her first Emmy Award and a Golden Globe for her role as the new mother Rachel Green on NBC's popular comedy "Friends."



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✓ Virtual unknowns Nia Vardalos and John Corbett steal America's hearts in the year's surprise smash hit *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*.



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✓ Peter Jackson receives a Golden Globe Best Director nomination for *The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers*, the year's most anticipated sequel.



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✓ Cynical Simon Cowell and company stir up big ratings for Fox's "American Idol" and big record sales for winner Kelly Clarkson, a waitress from Texas.

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◀ After a two-year hiatus, Leonardo DiCaprio returns to the big screen with two holiday blockbusters, *Gangs of New York* and *Catch Me If You Can*.

✓ *Chicago*, a film adaptation of the hit Broadway musical, wins three Golden Globes, including Best Picture: Musical or Comedy, and receives 13 Oscar nominations.

CHICAGO



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◀ HBO Films' comedy *Real Women Have Curves* promotes positive self-image with the dazzling debut of Latin-American actress America Ferrera.

◀ CBS scores a ratings doubleheader with a pair of forensic investigation dramas, "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" and "CSI Miami."



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➤ Newcomer Norah Jones takes home five Grammys, including Album of the Year, for *Come Away With Me*.

➤ Multi-talented Eminem raps up five Grammy nominations for *The Eminem Show* and big box-office success in *8 Mile*.

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➤ Rocker Avril Lavigne and other "anti-Britneys," such as Vanessa Carlton and Michelle Branch, represent the new face of women in music.

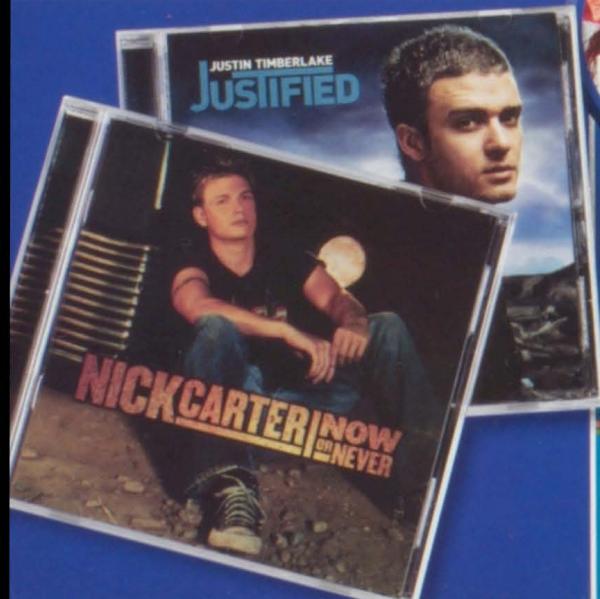
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➤ Weezer teams up with the Muppets in the video for "Keep Fishin'," the second single from their hit album *Maladroit*.

➤ Pop takes a new direction when former boy band favorites Nick Carter and Justin Timberlake break out with solo albums and tours.



J. Pat Carter/AP/Wide World Photos

➤ Spanish trio Las Ketchup lands a summer hit with the catchy "Asereje" aka "The Ketchup Song (Hey Hah)."



Hermann J. Knippertz/AP/Wide World Photos

➤ R&B newcomer Ashanti becomes the first artist since the Beatles to have three singles from a debut album in *Billboard*'s Top 10 at the same time.



Chris Pizzello/AP/Wide World Photos

➤ In April 2002, Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes, 30, of R&B band TLC, dies in a car crash on a Honduran highway.

✓ In October, legendary hip-hop DJ Jam Master Jay of Run-DMC is shot and killed in a Queens, New York, music studio.

✓ After a six-year romance, No Doubt's Gwen Stefani marries Bush's Gavin Rossdale in September.

✓ Country crossover star Shania Twain hits No. 1 on the *Billboard* albums chart with *Up!*, a double CD with every song in both a pop and country version.

✓ Former Beatles rock legend Paul McCartney brings in \$2 million a night, for a total of \$103 million, on the year's top-grossing tour.

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TOP CONCERT



◀ The Strokes, *Spin* magazine's 2002 Band of the Year, lead a resurgence of rock 'n' rollers, including The Hives and The Vines.

✓ Armed with a steady beat and punk-rock-blues riffs, The White Stripes' stripped-down rock shines on the highly acclaimed *White Blood Cells*.

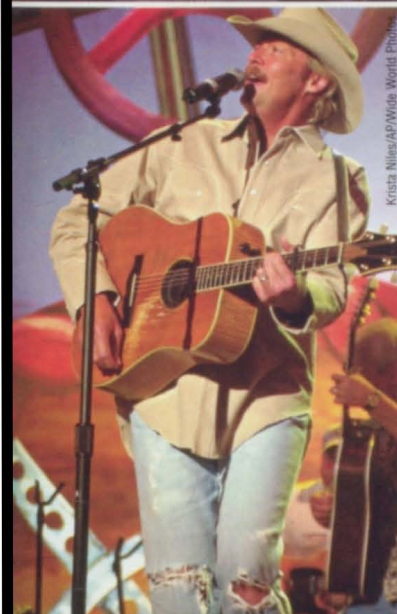
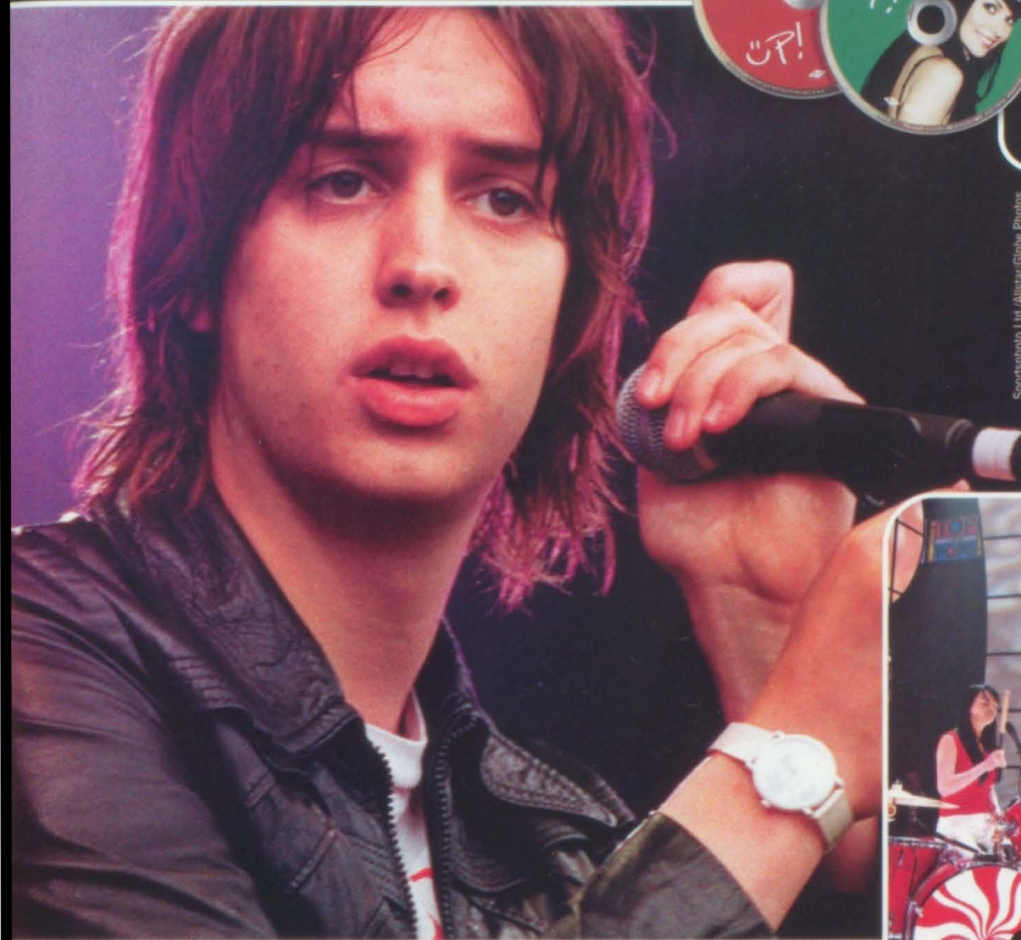
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◀ Alan Jackson's triple-platinum album *Drive* wins five Country Music Association Awards and is named the *USA Today* No. 1 country album of 2002.

◀ *Nirvana*, the famed grunge band's long-awaited greatest hits album, features "You Know You're Right," the last recording Kurt Cobain made before his 1994 suicide.

Krista Niles/AP/Wide World Photos



➤ Dallas Cowboy running back Emmitt Smith breaks Walter Payton's 16,727-yard mark to become the NFL's all-time leading rusher.

➤ The Detroit Red Wings capture the 2002 NHL Stanley Cup over the Cinderella Carolina Hurricanes. It's a record ninth cup for retiring coach Scotty Bowman.



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SPORTS

➤ Serena and Venus Williams continue to dominate women's tennis, becoming the first sisters to be ranked No. 1 and No. 2 in the world.

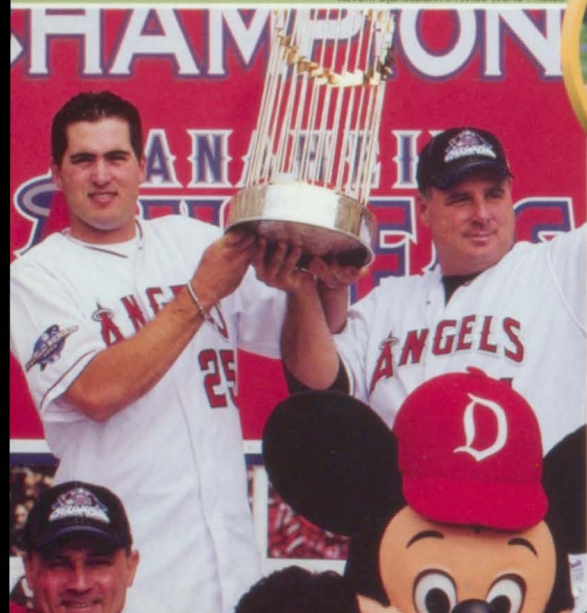
Scott Osborne/AP/Wide World Photos



➤ The college football season is marred by violent confrontations involving fans, students and even coaches.

➤ MVP Troy Glaus leads the scrappy Anaheim Angels to the 2002 World Series win over Barry Bonds and the San Francisco Giants, four games to three.

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SISTERS



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➤ Martha Burk of the National Council of Women's Organizations battles with Augusta National chairman William Johnson over the issue of female membership at the famous Georgia golf club.



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➤ An 18th place finish in the NASCAR season finale at Homestead-Miami Speedway is enough to earn Tony Stewart his first Winston Cup Series championship.



Chris Faylok/The Star Ledger/Corbis-Sygma

➤ Despite an injured toe, Shaquille O'Neal powers the unstoppable Los Angeles Lakers to a third straight NBA championship title in May 2002.

- ▼ The U.S. men's soccer team advances to the World Cup quarterfinals for the first time, by defeating Mexico 2-0.

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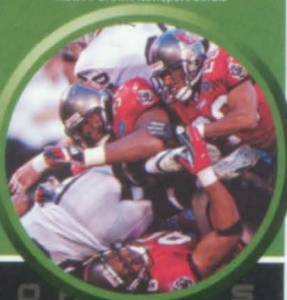
- ▼ The U.S. Postal Service team propels *Sports Illustrated* magazine's Sportsman of the Year Lance Armstrong to his fourth consecutive Tour de France victory.

Mike Powell/Getty Images



- ▼ The top-rated defense of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers shuts down the No. 1 offense of the Oakland Raiders to win Super Bowl XXXVII 48-21.

Matt A. Brown/Newsport/Corbis



- ▼ LPGA pro Annika Sorenstam, after a record-setting 13-win 2002 season worldwide, accepts an invitation to play the Colonial tournament on the men's 2003 PGA Tour.



Steve D'Amico/Reuters/Landow

- ◀ The Ohio State Buckeyes beat the heavily favored Miami Hurricanes in double overtime to win the BCS National Championship. The 31-24 victory is the school's first national football title since 1968.

- ▼ The new sport of SlamBall takes basketball to the extreme on a specially designed court with four trampolines in front of each hoop.

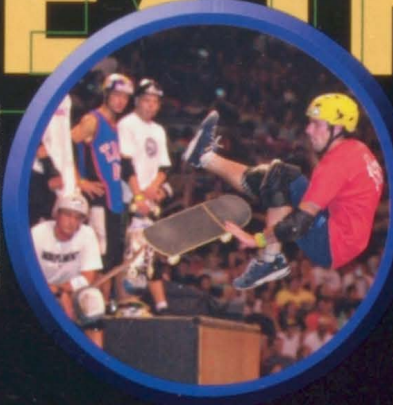


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- ◀ Skateboarding reaches new popularity heights thanks to the high visibility of the X Games and the "Tony Hawk's Pro Skater" video game series.

- ◀ Surfing welcomes a tidal wave of women to the sport after receiving a Hollywood endorsement in the popular summer flick *Blue Crush*.

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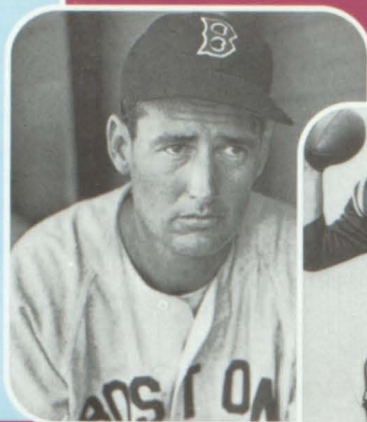
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EXTREME SPORTS

- ▶ The sports world loses two legends—baseball's "Splendid Splinter" Ted Williams and Johnny Unitas, one of football's greatest quarterbacks.

- ▶ Zacarias Moussaoui, widely believed to be the 20th hijacker, goes on trial for his involvement in the September 11 terrorist attacks.



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- ▶ Martha Stewart faces charges of illegal stock trading after former Imclone president Sam Waksal allegedly tips her off regarding the company's demise.

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- ▶ In show business since they were 9 months old, Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen, 16, have amassed a \$76 million fortune through their Dualstar Entertainment Group.

- ▶ Veteran actor Richard Harris, known for his role as Hogwarts wise headmaster Albus Dumbledore, dies of Hodgkin's disease at age 72.

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- ▶ Mentally challenged Ohio high school senior Jake Porter—who suited up for every practice and game for four years but never played—scores his first touchdown.

- ▶ California's Linda and Loretta Sanchez make history as the first sisters ever elected to Congress.

- ▶ Mississippi Senator Trent Lott is widely criticized for apparent racist remarks he made at Senator Strom Thurmond's 100th birthday party. In December, Lott resigns as majority leader.



